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MARITIME SPECIAL PURPOSE OPERATIONS

Ref: (a) MCO 3501.1C
(b) MCO 3501.8
(c) MCO 3120.9

Encl: (1) Volume IX - Mission Performance Standards (MPS's) for
MEU(SOC) Unit's Selected Maritime Special Purpose
Operations

1. Purpose. To promulgate Volume IX of MCCRES for use in the
training and evaluation of MEU(SOC) units per the references.

2. Cancellation. MCO 3501.10

3. Information

a. Reference (a) establishes MCCRES for implementation
within the Marine Corps. The enclosure, supported by the
policies and procedures set forth in the references provide the
MPS's for use in evaluation of the combat readiness of Marine
Expeditionary Unit (Special Operations Capable).

b. The MEU(SOC) is an inherently flexible, self-sustained,
amphibious, combined arms air-ground task force capable of
conventional and selected maritime special operations of
limited-duration in support of a combatant commander. The MPS's
within this MCCRES address the selected maritime special purpose
operations of the MEU(SOC) as per reference (c). Conventional
MAGTF capabilities are in MCO 3501.8, MCCRES Volume VII.

4. Summary of Revision. This Order has been revised in its
entirety.

5. Action. Commanders will:

a. Use the MPS's contained in the enclosure as guidelines to
establish training goals and training programs, and to prepare
for formal readiness evaluations as directed by higher
headquarters per reference (a).

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b. When appropriate, use the MPS's for informal evaluations,
and/or as an inventory to determine a unit's current training
status and areas for future progressive training programs.

c. Make every effort to conduct evaluations when the unit is
participating as an element of a Marine Air Ground Task Force
(MAGTF). This method will strengthen integration efforts and
give a more complete evaluation of realistic combat readiness.

6. Reserve Applicability.

This Order is applicable to the
Marine Corps Reserve.



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INTRODUCTION

MCCRES - VOLUME IX

This portion of the Marine Corps Combat Readiness Evaluation System (MCCRES) contains the Mission Performance Standards (MPS's) for planning, preparation, and execution of selected maritime special purpose capabilities complementary to, and in support of, special operations. The Marine Expeditionary Unit (Special Operations Capable) is not a Special Operations Force (SOF), but it has received enhanced training and is specially equipped and organized to accomplish selected maritime missions.

These MPS's have been developed with the goal of enhancing the training readiness of MEU(SOC) units. This volume endeavors to accomplish this by detailing the special operations capable MPS's after MCO 3120.9, Policy For Marine Expeditionary Unit (Special Operations Capable). ALL MPS's that represent the conventional capabilities of the MEU will be published in MCCRES Volume VII, Marine Air/Ground Task Force. Available training areas, environmental restrictions, time, and scenario will influence the number of MPS's that can be evaluated. Evaluators must keep in mind these factors and the level of participation of the ATF staff when evaluating the execution of mission performance standards.

It is recommended that commanders use MCCRES standards to establish training goals, and take every opportunity to informally evaluate their units. The MCCRES system provides the commander with a tool to evaluate the current combat readiness and training of his unit, to identify strengths and weaknesses, and to use that information to prioritize the unit's future training requirements.

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SECTION 9A

TASKS COMMON TO MARITIME SPECIAL PURPOSE MISSIONS

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INTRODUCTION

SECTION A: TASKS COMMON TO MARITIME SPECIAL PURPOSE MISSIONS

This section is a set of collective training standards that are common to all maritime special purpose operations. In a MCCRES evaluation this section would be used in conjunction with selected missions from Section B, Maritime Special Purpose Missions, in the evaluation of a unit.

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9A.1 PLANNING AND OPERATIONS

TASK: 9A.1.1 CONDUCT INTELLIGENCE PLANNING

CONDITION(S): A warning order has been received assigning the MEU a mission to conduct a maritime special purpose operation. Available planning time is constrained.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Participates in Mission Analysis process.
- .2 ____ Conduct Intelligence Preparation of the Battlefield (IPB) in support of mission planning.
- .3 ____ Initiate development of an intelligence estimate using all assets available to the Joint Intelligence Center.
- .4 ____ Prepares staff orientation brief.
- .5 ____ Determines availability of information on objective area in locally held databases.
- .6 ____ Identify information gaps concurrently with the development of the concept of operations.
- .7 ____ Promulgate requests for information (RFI's) to satisfy initial information gaps.
- .8 ____ Recommend Essential Elements of Information (EEL's) to the MEU commander for dissemination to higher headquarters.
- .9 ____ Request Theater and National all-source intelligence support as required.
- .10 ____ Determine procedures for integration of follow-on forces' intelligence supporting structure.
- .11 ____ Determine transition of intelligence support procedures as MEU(SOC) is passed from CINC to CINC.
- .12 ____ Activate system to ensure continuous dissemination of relevant combat information and intelligence to all appropriate elements of the Amphibious Task Force (ATF).
- .13 ____ Determine intelligence dissemination media between ARG/MEU and organic/non-organic agencies.
- .14 ____ Request JILE/NMIST and Special Access Program (SAP) support as required.
- .15 ____ Issue Operations Security (OPSEC) and Information Security (INFOSEC) guidance.
- .16 ____ Determine MC&G requirements and identify means to satisfy requirements.
- .17 ____ Determine immediate imagery requirements and identify means to satisfy requirements.
- .18 ____ Conduct detailed terrain analysis of objective area.
- .19 ____ Conduct detailed target-specific target analysis.
- .20 ____ Develops a collection plan and continuously revises plan based on new requirements.
- .21 ____ Initiate aggressive signals security (SIGSEC) measures during planning and operations.
- .22 ____ Considers the effects of weather, astronomical and tidal data, and disseminates the information.
- .23 ____ Evaluates effect of wind, surf conditions, terrain, light conditions, and vegetation on friendly and enemy courses of action.
- .24 ____ Assesses enemy sensor capability.
- .25 ____ Produces beach landing site, helicopter landing zone, airfield, port, LOC, climatology, infrastructure, and ingress/egress route studies.
- .26 ____ Conducts detailed analysis of enemy defenses in/around objective area.
- .27 ____ Conducts counter-reconnaissance/surveillance threat assessment.

- .28 ____ Conducts enemy deception capability threat assessment.
- .29 ____ Develops MAGTF escape and evasion plan, if escape and evasion plan is not available from in theater sources.
- .30 ____ Conduct debrief of collection assets.
- .31 ____ Coordinate with CATF, CLF, and PHIBRON elements regarding handling and processing of detainees and EPW's.
- .32 ____ Prepare terrain and detailed terrain analysis (DTAMS) models of target sites/objective area.
- .33 ____ Initiate target intelligence/mission planning folder development.
- .34 ____ Provide intelligence support and intelligence augmentation to MSC mission planning cells as required.
- .35 ____ Participate in targeting coordination/deconfliction with MEU, SACC, TACRON, JTF, JSOTF as required.
- .36 ____ Consider counterintelligence specialist and interrogation/translator augmentation to the mission commander.
- .37 ____ Enforce aggressive counterintelligence measures.
- .38 ____ Establish and disseminate challenge and passwords.
- .39 ____ Conduct intelligence/counterintelligence liaison with foreign and/or external entities as required in the execution of the command's mission.
- .40 ____ Identify interrogator/translator requirements.
- .41 ____ Provide guidance to mission commander on intelligence requirements at target site (e.g., equipment, documents, etc.).
- .42 ____ Conduct post-mission intelligence debriefings.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: None.

KEY INDICATORS: Initiate IPB process. IntelLigence and operations input to the IPB process is concurrent and parallel.

Identify mission-oriented intelligence products, publications, systems, databases, message traffic, and materials available.

Prioritize information requirements as (1) mission critical (mission cannot be initiated without it), (2) mission essential (probability of mission success is degraded without it), (3) mission enhancing (fills information gaps that do not significantly effect mission success).

TASK: 9A.1.2 DEVELOP CONCEPT OF OPERATIONS

CONDITION(S): The MEU is in receipt of a warning order to conduct a maritime special purpose operation. Available planning time is constrained.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Develops plan which is simple, executable, and is within the capabilities of the maritime special purpose force.
- .2 ____ Organizes maritime special purpose force into task elements to achieve maximum flexibility and minimize numbers of troops required.

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- .3 ____ Tailors each element to accomplish specific tasks.
- .4 ____ Makes necessary changes to the scheme of maneuver as new intelligence and combat information on the enemy situation and target areas are received.
- .5 ____ Embarkation plan is reviewed as concept is developed to identify cross decking requirements.
- .6 ____ Identifies adequate means for ship-to-shore movement.
- .7 ____ Considers speed of special demolitions force to conduct the mission before the enemy has time to react.
- .8 ____ Exploits principle of surprise.
- .9 ____ Reviews rules of engagement.
- .10 ____ Chooses a landing site(s) which places the special demolitions force in the best position for launching the operation.
- .11 ____ Employs a covering force(s) to allow strike element to reach the target area intact.
- .12 ____ Coordinates the SAR plan with the ACE.
- .13 ____ Provides details of delaying tactics to be employed by covering force.
- .14 ____ Ensures a fire support coordination agency is established.
- .15 ____ Coordinates timing and integration of air, NGF, and other supporting arms to ensure adequate fire support throughout the operation.
- .16 ____ Coordinates ITG procedures with ACE.
- .17 ____ Tasks embarked EW assets to conduct ground EW during all phases of the operation.
- .18 ____ Plans withdrawal to be rapid and systematic.
- .19 ____ Designates routes and specific sequence of withdrawal for special demolitions force to include alternate times and means.
- .20 ____ Identifies alternative times, routes, sequences of movement, and means of withdrawal.
- .21 ____ Employs tactical deception to support the special demolitions force mission.
- .22 ____ Briefs concept of operations to CLF and CATF for approval.
- .23 ____ Wargames concept of operations.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: None.

KEY INDICATORS: None.

TASK: 9A.1.3 CONDUCT SIGNALS INTELLIGENCE/ELECTRONIC WARFARE
PLANNING

CONDITION(S): The radio battalion detachment is embarked aboard amphibious shipping with a MEU(SOC). The detachment is in receipt of a warning order alerting them of a requirement to support a maritime special purpose operation. Threat forces have direct and indirect fire capabilities, both fixed and rotary wing aircraft, and EW capabilities.

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STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Acknowledges receipt of the warning order and initiates detailed planning.
- .2 ____ Alerts detachment personnel.
- .3 ____ Conducts an analysis of the MEU's mission in respect to METT-T and available information.
- .4 ____ Assists in developing intelligence/information requirement on the vulnerability of enemy forces to ECM/ESM actions and the capability of enemy forces to conduct ECM/ESM against friendly forces in coordination with the S-2.
- .5 ____ Receives commander's initial planning guidance.
- .6 ____ Examines the MEU's proposed courses of action.
- .7 ____ Prepares an estimate of supportability.
- .8 ____ Makes recommendations on tactical employment of the detachment.
- .9 ____ Develops SIGINT/EW Support Plan based upon the commander's guidance and the approved courses of action.
- .10 ____ Plans for the integration of SIGINT, ground EW, and COMSEC monitoring and analysis during all phases of the operation.
- .11 ____ Determines the requirement to employ the radio reconnaissance team.
- .12 ____ Prepares the Signals Intelligence Appendix to the Intelligence Annex and the Electronic Warfare Appendix to the Operations Annex in coordination with the S-2, S-3, and S-6 for inclusion in the MEU's operations order.
- .13 ____ Coordinates with CATF cryptologic elements for SI communications, SIGINT/EW support.
- .14 ____ Coordinates with CATF cryptologic elements and the S-2 to request theater and/or national SIGINT/EW support, as required.
- .15 ____ Coordinates the incorporation of the MEU commander's EEI's and OIR's, and SIGINT support requirements into the CATF's SIGINT plan.
- .16 ____ Coordinates with CATF cryptologic elements to ensure LF cryptologic objectives are supported during the operation.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: This task is applicable to both evaluated amphibious exercises and evaluated special operations capability exercises, and each will be evaluated separately.

The focus of this task is on functioning of the detachment OIC as he fulfills his basic planning responsibilities to the MEU. This task is evaluated through all phases. The evaluator should note that some of the requirements are one-time actions and some are repetitive actions that will recur as the tactical situation changes.

KEY INDICATORS: ESTIMATE OF SUPPORTABILITY

When the MEU staff has developed various courses of action for consideration by the commander, the radio battalion detachment OIC develops his estimate of supportability. This estimate can be written or verbal dependent on time available. To accomplish this estimate, the OIC must consider the following aspects:

- a. Terrain and weather in the area of operations which has a major effect on the employment of detachment elements.
- b. Enemy communications and non communications electronic systems in the area of operations, to include:

- (1) Density of emitters within enemy forces.
- (2) Dependence on emitters by the enemy.

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(3) System technical characteristics and techniques, to include frequency ranges, power output, emission and system types, and antenna configurations.

(4) Security systems and practices utilized by the enemy.

(5) Deception practices utilized by the enemy.

(6) Enemy communications and noncommunications electronic operating procedures.

(7) System structure.

(8) Enemy language and dialects.

c. Capability of the detachment or SIGINT/EW assets external to the MEU to support each of the courses of action envisioned, with emphasis on:

(1) Signals intelligence, electronic warfare, and communications equipment requirements to support each course of action.

(2) State of proficiency of the personnel available.

(3) Combat service support and special support requirements.

d. Recommendations on whether the supported command's mission is or is not supportable, and which course of action is most supportable from a SIGINT/EW standpoint.

DETERMINING REQUIREMENT TO EMPLOY RADIO RECONNAISSANCE TEAM

The radio reconnaissance team is employed to conduct specified SIGINT/EW operations during pre-assault, advance force, or special operations when the conduct of such operations by other detachment elements is inappropriate or not feasible.

a. The radio reconnaissance team is typically employed in the following roles:

(1) During MEU(SOC) Amphibious Operations.

(a) When the available data on the communications characteristics of enemy forces in the area of operations, particularly the tactical communications of low-echelon enemy units likely to be encountered by the landing force, is insufficient to provide specific SIGINT/EW tasking to detachment elements landing on or after H/L-Hour, or is otherwise non-existent, the radio reconnaissance team may be inserted either independently or in conjunction with other pre-assault or advance force operations to search for, locate, and identify enemy communications nets, and report collected data to the detachment OIC prior to H/L-Hour.

(b) When SIGINT/EW support to pre-assault or advance force operations is requested/required by the MEU, the radio reconnaissance team may be inserted either independently or in conjunction with other pre-assault/advance force operations to conduct SIGINT operations in order to provide indications and warning (I&W) support to pre-assault/advance force elements.

(c) In both of the above cases, data reported or confirmed by the RRT is utilized to plan H/L-Hour ECM operations, and/or provide specific SIGINT/EW tasking to detachment elements landing on or after H/L-Hour.

(2) During MEU(SOC) maritime special purpose operations.

(a) The limited time evolution of many maritime special purpose operations normally does not allow for the time-consuming process of searching for and collecting unavailable/unknown data on enemy communications. Therefore, SIGINT/EW support to MEU(SOC) maritime special purpose operations is generally restricted to providing I&W support in those instances when such data is already known and available.

(b) The radio reconnaissance team may be employed in support of MEU(SOC) maritime special purpose operations to provide I&W support to reconnaissance and surveillance (R&S) elements and/or direct action elements.

(c) The radio reconnaissance team may also be tasked to confirm ECM operations conducted in support of the special operation.

b. In determining the requirement to employ the radio reconnaissance team in support of any type of MEU(SOC) operation, the following conditions should apply:

(1) A radio reconnaissance unique capability is required, thus precluding the employment of other detachment elements. Radio reconnaissance unique capabilities include, but are not limited to:

- (a) Clandestine insertion/extraction capability.
- (b) Clandestine movement/patrol capability.
- (c) Self-sustained independent operation capability.

(2) Other detachment or CATF cryptologic assets cannot be effectively positioned or otherwise employed.

(3) Theater and/or national assets are not available or are not expected to be available within sufficient time to be effective.

(4) When considering employment to provide indications and warning (I&W) support to any type of operation, the radio reconnaissance team must have the appropriate linguistic capability or be augmented with an appropriate Linguist.

TASK: 9A.1.4 CONDUCT COUNTERINTELLIGENCE PLANNING

CONDITION(S): The MEU is in receipt of a warning order to conduct a maritime special purpose operation. Available planning time is constrained.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Analyzes the mission to develop specific counterintelligence tasks.
- .2 ____ Directs the effort to obtain information on the enemy's intelligence, sabotage, terrorism, and subversion capabilities.
- .3 ____ Provides for the production and dissemination of intelligence on the enemy's intelligence, sabotage, terrorism, and subversion capabilities, including clandestine and covert capabilities.
- .4 ____ Explores CI Database for information related to Personalities, Organizations, and Installations (PO&I) for CI Target Reduction Plan.
- .5 ____ Plans, recommends, and monitors counterintelligence measures throughout the entire command.
- .6 ____ Reviews EEIF and the vulnerability assessment developed during contingency planning, and initiates immediate measures to reduce OPSEC indicators.
- .7 ____ Reviews existing contingency plans, SOP's, and Lessons learned.
- .8 ____ Prepares a counterintelligence estimate.
- .9 ____ Prepares a counterintelligence measures worksheet.
- .10 ____ Prepares a counterintelligence reduction plan.
- .11 ____ Forwards counterintelligence planning input to higher headquarters via the Joint Operational Planning System (JOPS) format for inclusion into operation plans.
- .12 ____ Establishes coordination with the ATF and requests liaison be established with any outside agencies (i.e., State Department, CTJTF, Fleet Intel Center, etc.) required.

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EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: None.

KEY INDICATORS: None.

TASK: 9A.1.5 PLAN COMMUNICATIONS

CONDITION(S): A warning order has been received assigning a maritime special purpose operation. Line of sight communications may not be reliable outside the mission area. Due to the exigencies of the situation, planning time is constrained.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Plans communications requirements with input from the MSPF, GCE and ACE.
- .2 ____ Employs various types of radios; i.e., UHF, VHF, and HF, with enough redundancy to provide reliable long range communications.
- .3 ____ Identifies critical communications nets.
- .4 ____ Conducts liaison with ATF communications planners.
- .5 ____ Identifies interoperability problems with ATF and theater assets.
- .6 ____ Determines SATCOM requirements, and requests access.
- .7 ____ Ensures communications plan contains SATCOM channelization.
- .8 ____ Coordinates with recovery elements to ensure required connectivity is planned.
- .9 ____ Develops communications contingency plan.
- .10 ____ Ensures an adequate number of frequencies are allocated.
- .11 ____ Considers EMCON in the objective area.
- .12 ____ Considers aerial retransmission using both organic and theater aircraft.
- .13 ____ Ensures communications plan reflects secure voice equipment, correct key list and edition numbers, and verifies that units possess them.
- .14 ____ Ensures inter theater C3 (ICP) for joint operations COMSEC package is held, and meets MEU requirements.
- .15 ____ Plans for HF field expedient antennas.
- .16 ____ Plans for spare parts to be deployed.
- .17 ____ Coordinates with the ACE in the development of the communications portion of the pilot/controller handbook.
- .18 ____ Performs communications checks with all elements aboard ship prior to deployment.
- .19 ____ Disseminates signals to be used between naval ships and recovery force.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: None.

KEY INDICATORS: None.

TASK: 9A.1.6 CONDUCT TACTICAL DECEPTION PLANNING

CONDITION(S): The embarked MEU has received a warning to conduct a maritime special purpose operation. Mission analysis has been conducted and the MEU commander has requested that his staff study the information available and consider the integration of tactical deception with the scheme of maneuver. Due to the exigencies of the situation, planning time is limited.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ The overall mission and objective of the tactical deception is well understood.
- .2 ____ Analyzes the enemy perceptions of the operational area.
- .3 ____ Determines enemy vulnerability to deception, identifying any enemy peculiarities, or weaknesses.
- .4 ____ Collects available intelligence/combat information to determine if the enemy threat warrants the use of deception.
- .5 ____ Collects indications of what course of action the enemy "expects" us to take.
- .6 ____ Identifies opportunities for deception.
- .7 ____ Considers whether there are feasible courses of action upon which to build a realistic deception.
- .8 ____ Analyzes what possible courses of action are available to the enemy commanders.
- .9 ____ Identifies a logical opportunity to integrate the deception into the ground situation.
- .10 ____ Determines if enough information is known about the enemy sensor network to effectively feed false information.
- .11 ____ Analyzes advantages/disadvantages and risks associated with including deception.
- .12 ____ Evaluates whether the possible compromise of the deception will justify any loss of operational flexibility as well as the effect on the operation if the deception is not effective.
- .13 ____ Analyzes whether COMSEC and OPSEC procedures are sufficient to conceal deception planning and subsequent operations, and more importantly, to deny the enemy knowledge of our true intentions.
- .14 ____ Prepares a plan that is believable, consistent with the enemy's perception of our real capabilities, tactical doctrine, SOP's, patterns, etc.
- .15 ____ Develops the deception plan with the same degree of thoroughness as the operational plan.
- .16 ____ Develops a deception story that provides adequate information to deter the enemy from taking any undesirable action.
- .17 ____ Develops a plan which considers the concept of surprise.
- .18 ____ Considers the expenditure of personnel and equipment to support the deception concept to include secure communications and frequencies.
- .19 ____ Determines whether there is sufficient time available to formulate, write, organize, and carry out the deception.
- .20 ____ Ensures the deception proposal supports and minimizes the vulnerabilities of the operations plan, but is not critical to the overall success of the assigned mission.
- .21 ____ Considers the involvement and support required from other units, services, and agencies.

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- .22 ____ Gathers sufficient intelligence on the enemy commander(s); e.g., identity of and Leadership style, strengths and weaknesses, tactical experience, and tactical style; presence of a sensor network; troop morale; and staff procedures, to tailor the plan to effectively influence enemy reactions.
- .23 ____ Determines how long the enemy commander will need to formulate and issue orders, including an estimate of time required by the enemy communications system to move the order from commander to subordinate elements.
- .24 ____ Ensures deception events are consistent with past and future operations, and avoid the "windfall" (information easily obtained, is information easily discarded) effect.
- .25 ____ Collects sufficient information to predict the enemy's probable reaction to the overall deception plan and each event.
- .26 ____ Develops deception events that support the plan, targets those information systems the enemy commander places the greatest reliance on, and allows the enemy enough time to analyze and react in the desired manner.
- .27 ____ Ensures the deception story permits verification by various enemy collection systems.
- .28 ____ Evaluates enemy sensor system to determine which sensors cannot be deceived, and targets them for neutralization through other means (i.e., jamming, destruction, OPSEC).
- .29 ____ Determines the availability of means to destroy those sensors, and checks to ensure their neutralization will not interfere with other operations.
- .30 ____ Evaluates whether the deception can still be effective without the neutralization of the sensors that cannot be deceived.
- .31 ____ Dedicates assets to monitor the feedback of the effectiveness of deception events.
- .32 ____ Plans for enough flexibility to counter any unexpected enemy reaction.
- .33 ____ Wargames the concept to ensure the plan and its events logically relate to the tactical situation, and all deception events support the deception objective.
- .34 ____ Includes provisions for special reporting.
- .35 ____ Coordinates with higher and adjacent units and all agencies which will participate in, or be affected by, the deception execution.
- .36 ____ Plans phaseout actions to disguise the fact the deception has been used.
- .37 ____ Gains approval from the CLF.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: Estimate of supportability can be either written or verbal depending upon the situation and time available.

KEY INDICATORS: None.

TASK: 9A.1.7 CONDUCT LOGISTICS PLANNING

CONDITION(S): Based upon the receipt of a warning order to prepare to conduct a maritime special purpose operation, the MEU S-4 has begun detailed logistics planning. Planning time prior to execution is limited to 6 hours. The operation may take place at night or during periods of low visibility. The target area allows for insertion by surface, air, or both. Intermittent communications with the grounded air crew reveals no casualties and they have identified a problem that requires spare parts.

ENCLOSURE (1)

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Acknowledges receipt of the warning order and initiates detailed planning.
- .2 ____ Analyzes the mission to begin to identify specific CSS requirements.
- .3 ____ Coordinates with S-3 and the CSSE relative to the size of the maritime special purpose force, type support required, critical weapons systems, special equipment/ordnance requirements, distances involved, and anticipated duration of the operation.
- .4 ____ Develops, in coordination with the CSSE, a detailed CSS estimate of supportability which compares all CSS related factors influencing each proposed course of action.
- .5 ____ Determines the feasibility of sustainability.
- .6 ____ Assists the CSSE in the development of a task organization to support those tasks assigned, including: engineers to clear a LZ or destroy the plane, additional medical support, etc.
- .7 ____ Reviews existing plans, SOP's, and lessons learned.
- .8 ____ Reviews the MEU S-2's intelligence estimate to gather all available intelligence and information on the potential threat and area of operations in order to determine climate, weather, terrain, existing facilities, airfields, hospitals, distances, etc.
- .9 ____ Computes, in coordination with the CSSE, consumption factors and logistics requirements for each stage of the operation.
- .10 ____ Calculates, in coordination with the CSSE, amounts, types, and sources of class V support for the recovery effort and contingency plans.
- .11 ____ Develops a resupply concept to include push/pull, supply point(s), etc.
- .12 ____ Stages ammunition and supplies for the recovery and contingencies.
- .13 ____ Coordinates with the ACE to identify aviation capabilities limitations, and operational constraints in providing resupply requirements.
- .14 ____ Coordinates with the ACE to determine CSS requirements to support the establishment and operations of a FARP, if required.
- .15 ____ Develops a medical evacuation plan for each phase of the mission.
- .16 ____ Ensures adequate communication links and redundancy.
- .17 ____ Provides pertinent CSS instructions for inclusion in the MEU Op Plan/Op Order as required.
- .18 ____ Identifies other peculiar CSS requirements.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: The estimate of supportability can be either written or verbal depending on the situation and time available.

KEY INDICATORS: None.

ENCLOSURE (1)

TASK: 9A.1.8 PREPARE TACTICAL DECEPTION PLAN

CONDITION(S): The embarked MEU has received a warning order to conduct a maritime special purpose operation. The decision has been made to integrate deception events along with the scheme of maneuver. Due to the exigencies of the situation, preparation time is limited.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Makes final coordination for all aspects of the overall deception plan and the scheduled events to include communications, logistics, and command and control.
- .2 ____ Publishes and distributes the deception plan as either a part of the operation order or as a separate appendix, and includes:
 - a. Concept Tasks to subordinate units
 - b. Objectives Phasing schedule
 - c. Coordinating instructions
 - d. Communications and operations security
- .3 ____ Briefs all elements on the plan, events and procedures, and, if time permits, rehearses, or at a minimum, builds models, prepares a sandtable, sketches, etc.
- .4 ____ Affords participants an opportunity to ask questions in order to ensure a thorough understanding.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: None.

KEY INDICATORS: None.

TASK: 9A.1.9 CONDUCT INTELLIGENCE OPERATIONS

CONDITION(S): The MEU is in receipt of a warning order to conduct a maritime special purpose operation. An intelligence plan has been developed and must now be executed.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Monitors Theater and National all-source intelligence support.
- .2 ____ Determines transition of intelligence support.
- .3 ____ Monitors the intelligence systems to ensure continuous dissemination of relevant combat information and intelligence to all appropriate ATF elements.
- .4 ____ Revises the collection plan based on new information requirements.
- .5 ____ Conducts debrief of collection assets.
- .6 ____ Disseminates tactical reports as required in a timely manner.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: None.

KEY INDICATORS: None.

TASK: 9A.1.10 CONDUCT SIGNALS INTELLIGENCE/ELECTRONIC WARFARE
OPERATIONS

CONDITION(S): Embarked MEU has a detachment from Radio Battalion. The MEU has been issued a warning order to conduct a maritime special purpose operation. A SIGINT plan has been developed and must now be executed.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Advises S-2 on optimum employment of collection, deception, OF, and ECM/ECCM assets of DSU.
- .2 ____ Coordinates with S-2 on requesting theater/national assets such as carrier based EW aircraft.
- .3 ____ Coordinates with S-2 to ensure all SIGINT and EW assets of the ATF/LF are fully employed.
- .4 ____ Conducts COMSEC monitoring, analysis, and reporting operations as directed.
- .5 ____ Conducts SIGINT and ground EW, for all phases of the operation.
- .6 ____ Ensures special intelligence communications support has been identified.
- .7 ____ Coordinates with CATF cryptologic elements to ensure that LF cryptological objectives are supported.
- .8 ____ Delivers traffic from collection positions to processing and reporting elements immediately.
- .9 ____ Disseminates tactical reports as required in a timely manner.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: None.

KEY INDICATORS: None.

TASK: 9A.1.11 CONDUCT COUNTERINTELLIGENCE OPERATIONS

CONDITION(S): The MEU is deployed and has received a warning order to conduct a maritime special purpose operation. The operation may be conducted at night. A counterintelligence plan has been developed and must now be executed.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Provides OPSEC guidance.
- .2 ____ Provide challenge and password to the MSPF.
- .3 ____ Provides CI specialist to the MSPF/GCE when necessary.
- .4 ____ Assists GCE and ACE Intelligence officers in developing escape and evasion plans.
- .5 ____ Conducts liaison with U.S. Embassy Third Party for escape and evasion, when required.
- .6 ____ Provides cover support when required.
- .7 ____ When directed maintain the EPW/MIA data base.
- .8 ____ When directed conduct EPW/MIA investigations.
- .9 ____ When directed conduct debrief of returned EPU/MIA personnel.
- .10 ____ Conducts CI debrief of maritime special purpose force.
- .11 ____ Assists Command Element Intelligence Officer in rapid response planning, to include R & S planning for R & S operations in support of the maritime special purpose operation.

ENCLOSURE (1)

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: NONE

KEY INDICATORS: NONE

TASK: 9A.1.12 BRIEF TACTICAL DECEPTION PLAN

CONDITION(S): The MEU is in receipt of a warning order to conduct a maritime special purpose operation. The decision has been made to integrate deception events along with the scheme of maneuver. Due to the urgency of the situation, preparation time is limited.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Makes final coordination for all aspects of the overall deception plan and the scheduled events to include communications, logistics, and command and control.
- .2 ____ Establishes the same level of OPSEC for the deception plan as for the actual operations plan.
- .3 ____ Publishes and distributes the deception plan as either a part of the operation order or as a separate appendix, and includes:
 - a. Concept.
 - b. Tasks to subordinate units.
 - c. Objectives.
 - d. Phasing schedule.
 - e. Coordinating instructions.
- .4 ____ Communications and operations security.
- .5 ____ Briefs at elements on the plan, events, and procedures, and, if time permits, rehearses or at a minimum builds models, prepares a sandtable, sketches, etc.
- .6 ____ Affords participants an opportunity to ask questions in order to ensure a thorough understanding.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: None.

KEY INDICATORS: None.

TASK: 9A.1.13 EXECUTE TACTICAL DECEPTION

CONDITION(S): The embarked MEU has received a warning order to conduct a maritime special purpose operation. An operations order has been prepared that includes the use of deception. The MEU has ordered execution of the plan prior to, or simultaneously with, the maritime special purpose operation.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Trained deception operators are available to assist the unit.
- .2 ____ Employs the deception story as planned.
- .3 ____ CLF controls all aspects of the operation.
- .4 ____ Establishes intelligence means and indicators to monitor feedback, and measure enemy reactions to our deception.

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- .5 ____ Provides all personnel monitoring the action a list of indicators.
- .6 ____ All aspects of the deception plan are well coordinated.
- .7 ____ Friendly forces are able to react to any unanticipated enemy actions which cause portions of the plan to be inappropriate.
- .8 ____ Uses deception equipment effectively.
- .9 ____ Executes the planned phaseout actions which are designed to disguise the fact that deception was used.
- .10 ____ Deception plan influences enemy decisions and reactions.
- .11 ____ Deception plan has a positive influence on the successful execution of the overall tactical operation.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: Attempt to document all aspects of the operation to facilitate an overall critique on the deception.

KEY INDICATORS: None.

TASK: 9A.1.14 CONDUCT NIGHT MISSION BRIEFING

CONDITION(S): The maritime special purpose operation will occur at night or during periods of limited visibility, the following items will be added to the mission brief.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Briefs ambient light conditions.
- .2 ____ Briefs aircraft lighting and flight formations.
- .3 ____ Briefs night vision device procedures.
- .4 ____ Briefs illumination plan to include flares, infrared search lights, spotlights, etc.
- .5 ____ Briefs ITG and LZ layout.
- .6 ____ Briefs contingencies and emergency procedures both en route and at the LZ.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: Ensure means of swimmer identification in water at night.

KEY INDICATORS: None.

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9A.2 INSERTION AND EXTRACTION

TASK: 9A.2.1 CONDUCT AIR MOVEMENT PLANNING

CONDITION(S): The MEU is in receipt of a warning order to conduct a maritime special purpose operation. Due to the distance inland, aviation assets are required. Available planning time is constrained.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Establishes early liaison with demolitions force commander, CLF, and naval units.
- .2 ____ Requests information and intelligence to develop enemy, terrain, and weather data base.
- .3 ____ Provides aircraft and aviation assets availability information to the special demolitions force commander and CLF.
- .4 ____ Develops aviation support requirements (ordnance, fuel, special equipment, personnel, etc.).
- .5 ____ Considers LAAD assets required to support the special demolitions plan based on threat intelligence.
- .6 ____ Provides aviation supportability estimates to CLF.
- .7 ____ Reconciles any aviation short falls with special demolitions force commander and CLF.
- .8 ____ Requests support from theater aviation assets, if required, for fixed-wing escort, airborne early warning aircraft (E-2/E-3), or CAS.
- .9 ____ Requests EW support/air delivered smoke screening to suppress enemy air defense efforts and to deny enemy use of EW.
- .10 ____ Allocates assets to support special demolitions force concept of operations and coordinates/publishes an ATO.
- .11 ____ Determines distance and fuel requirements, and identifies aerial refueling or FARP requirements.
- .12 ____ Recommends LZ's to CLF as well as alternates.
- .13 ____ Selects and coordinates ingress/egress routes as well as alternates.
- .14 ____ Integrates available fire support capabilities with aviation tactics.
- .15 ____ Selects and coordinates control points.
- .16 ____ Plans for on-call aircraft illumination, flare drops, IR spotlights, or use of helicopter landing lights for night operations.
- .17 ____ Ensures authority and procedures to change LZ's or ingress/egress routes are clearly established.
- .18 ____ Establishes and coordinates ITG procedures with reconnaissance element.
- .19 ____ Prepares the helicopter landing diagram.
- .20 ____ Designates airborne control agencies.
- .21 ____ Ensures aviation mission commander and special demolitions force commander are in the same aircraft.
- .22 ____ Plans/schedules pre-operations day aircraft maintenance periods.
- .23 ____ Determines takeoff, rendezvous, enroute, and recovery time factors.
- .24 ____ Coordinates shipboard refueling/rearming cycles with the ATF.
- .25 ____ Integrates and coordinates communications support requirements with CLF, demolitions force, and air control agencies.

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- .26 ____ Plans downed aircraft procedures, and standby crews.
- .27 ____ Ensure air crew checks the compatibility of the ordnance (demolitions) Load plan and the transport aircraft for the required mission.
- .28 ____ Establishes the weapons control conditions and status.
- .29 ____ Coordinates the development of the pilots/controller handbook to include primary/alternate communications, mission terrain information, control measures, rules of engagement, and restrictive measures.
- .30 ____ Assists special demolition force in the preparation of the helicopter team wave and serial assignment tables.
- .31 ____ Provides input for the communications plan to include code words, pro words, and frequencies.
- .32 ____ Schedules mission briefings for all flight crews and air control personnel. Ensures the area is sanitized.
- .33 ____ All equipment, weapons, etc., arrives on shore, and is dry and serviceable.
- .34 ____ Schedules the primary insertion to occur close to BMNT or EENT, or as dictated by the supported unit.
- .35 ____ Conducts derailed planning with the air planners to include schedule of insertion of teams; location of helicopter LZ's, both primary and alternate; route selection and checkpoint identification; escort aircraft; on-call fire support; use of pathfinder aircraft and downed aircraft procedures.
- .36 ____ Schedules a ZIPPO brief prior to the insertion.
- .37 ____ Coordinates fire support planning with the G/S-3/FSC to include artillery, air, and NGF to ensure that adequate fire support is available throughout the insertion.
- .38 ____ Considers tactical deception to support the insertion; e.g., separate flight of aircraft landing at dummy zones.
- .39 ____ Considers parachuting, or rappelling and fast rope insertion techniques when the situation does not allow for landing the aircraft.
- .40 ____ Conducts a ZIPPO brief prior to boarding the helicopters, and after all aircraft have been shut down.
- .41 ____ Reconnaissance team is ready to board when called away.
- .42 ____ Individual Marines exhibit a clear understanding of safety procedures when boarding helicopters.
- .43 ____ A reconnaissance representative from the command element accompanies the reconnaissance team on the helicopter.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: Estimate of supportability can be either written or verbal.

KEY INDICATORS: None.

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TASK: 9A.2.2 CONDUCT AIR MOVEMENT NIGHT MISSION PLANNING

CONDITION(S): The movement to the objective area is to be conducted at night. The following tasks must be added to the maritime special purpose operation planning.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Calculates ambient illumination, and plans for additional illumination, if required.
- .2 ____ Plans aircraft lighting, special equipment, and flight formations to be employed.
- .3 ____ Issues NVG's to all qualified air crew scheduled to support the maritime special purpose mission and plans for their use and testing.
- .4 ____ Plans ITG landing area procedures.
- .5 ____ Schedules training/rehearsal during darkness, if time permits.
- .6 ____ Plans contingencies and emergency procedures.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: None.

KEY INDICATORS: None.

TASK: 9A.2.3 CONDUCT SURFACE MOVEMENT PLANNING

CONDITION(S): The MSPF has been tasked with a maritime special purpose operation. The method of insertion is by small boat. Available planning time is constrained.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Issues an insertion annex separately from the patrol order.
- .2 ____ Conducts operational and serviceability checks of the boats and motors, weapons, communications, and ancillary equipment.
- .3 ____ Inspects the waterproofing of weapons and equipment.
- .4 ____ Castmaster receives a brief from pilots and crew chief of procedures for in-flight emergencies and drop signals within the aircraft.
- .5 ____ Castmaster conducts a team briefing on in-flight signals, height, and speed of insertion.
- .6 ____ Crew chief conducts a team briefing for in-flight emergency procedures.
- .7 ____ Provides materials for minor repair and troubleshooting of boats and motors.
- .8 ____ Ensures patrol members wear the specified uniform and equipment according to the SOP.
- .9 ____ Reviews intra-patrol communications procedures to include signals for medical distress, main body insertion, and emergency withdrawal.
- .10 ____ Inspects the lashing of equipment inside the boats.
- .11 ____ Inspects compass for serviceability and conducts deviation check.
- .12 ____ Ensures all personnel understand the order, and are cognizant of their duties and responsibilities.
- .13 ____ Quizzes patrol members on emergency procedures.

- .14 ____ Conducts a ZIPPO brief with all helicopter crews involved in the insertion.
- .15 ____ Finalizes navigation plan based upon previous analysis of available information.
- .16 ____ Briefs members on identification of key navigational aids.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: None.

KEY INDICATORS: None.

TASK: 9A.2.4 CONDUCT PARACHUTE OPERATIONS PLANNING

CONDITION(S): The reconnaissance element has been tasked to support the maritime special purpose operation. The method of insertion is parachute; static-line, military freefall (MFF), military freefall high altitude/high opening (HAHO), static-line square, or static-line square/high altitude opening. The drop can be conducted during daylight, night, or low visibility conditions. The aircraft supporting the drop can be fixed or rotary wing aircraft.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Begins detailed planning immediately after receiving the warning order, and alerts subordinates.
- .2 ____ Determines tactical situation, size of DZ, time of drop, and delivery assets.
- .3 ____ Assigns the appropriate jumpmaster and assistant jumpmaster for the parachute operation.
- .4 ____ The jumpmaster organizes according to requirements, and experience level of personnel, ensuring all designated jumpers are school trained and currently qualified.
- .5 ____ Arrange for a flight physiologist to accompany the air crew (MFF operations).
- .6 ____ Schedules a rehearsal jump(s) using the same delivery means and under the same approximate conditions, if time permits.
- .7 ____ Requests weather information at the rehearsal, and planned DZ; i.e., projected winds aloft and on the ground, and cloud cover.
- .8 ____ Ensures safety requirements are met at the rehearsal DZ.
- .9 ____ Plans for positive ground-to-air communications with adequate redundancy.
- .10 ____ Coordinates the marking of the rehearsal DZ; i.e., smoke, pyrotechnics, wind sock, panels, or utilizes an AN/PPN-19 with compatible transport aircraft.
- .11 ____ Ensures all critical signals are understood, specifically, those signals on the ground to cancel the drops.
- .12 ____ Makes up sticks of jumpers based on the tactical situation DZ size, aircraft type, and experience level of the parachutists.
- .13 ____ Schedules tactical briefs for pilots and loadmasters, and for reconnaissance personnel and jumpmasters.
- .14 ____ Ensures spare parachutes, main and reserve, are available.
- .15 ____ Begins detailed planning immediately after receiving the warning order, and alerts subordinates.
- .16 ____ Determines tactical situation, size, location of DZ, time of drop, delivery assets, and type of jump.
- .17 ____ Conducts a detailed study of the area to identify visual navigation aids and reference points; e.g., coastal roads, rivers, manmade features, and prominent terrain features.

- .18 ____ Computes compass heading.
- .19 ____ Ensures all critical signals are understood, specifically, those signals on the ground to cancel the drops.
- .20 ____ Determines requirement for the air drop of equipment.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: The reconnaissance element has the responsibility to ensure all personnel are school-trained and have maintained at least minimum qualifications.

KEY INDICATORS: None.

TASK: 9A.2.5 CONDUCT SUBSURFACE MOVEMENT PLANNING

CONDITION(S): The MSPF has been tasked with a maritime special purpose operation. The reconnaissance element has been tasked to conduct a point reconnaissance patrol. The method of insertion is subsurface, open-circuit or closed-circuit. The insertion can be conducted during daylight, night, or low visibility condition. Available planning time is constrained.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Begins detailed planning immediately after receiving the warning order, and alerts subordinates.
- .2 ____ Assigns a diving supervisor for the operation.
- .3 ____ Requests weather forecast and available information on sea conditions, currents, water temperature, water depth, water turbidity, underwater vegetation, marine life, and surf conditions.
- .4 ____ Receives a brief on the EEI's and OIR's.
- .5 ____ Prepares a patrol warning order.
- .6 ____ Estimates the amount of time required to swim to the objective area, and recommends the time of insertion.
- .7 ____ Calculates the amount of air required based on distances, sea state, tides, current, etc., and ensures an adequate measure of safety exists.
- .8 ____ Isolates the patrol members.
- .9 ____ Coordinates movement to the delivery craft and point of insertion.
- .10 ____ Plans the navigation from the insertion point to the beach to include the designation of primary and alternate navigators.
- .11 ____ Schedules a premedical screen of patrol members.
- .12 ____ Coordinates with the diving supervisor to arrange for equipment and checks for serviceability.
- .13 ____ Determines special gear and equipment required to include intra-patrol signal devices.
- .14 ____ Task organizes the patrol, designating scout swimmers, and ensuring patrol members are paired.
- .15 ____ Determines a swimmers formation.
- .16 ____ Reviews emergency procedures and specifies medical distress signals and procedures.
- .17 ____ Develops a plan for observing the beach outside the surf line.
- .18 ____ Plans for the hiding of diving equipment.

- .19 ____ Ensures planned procedures adhere to the safety requirements outlined in the reconnaissance unit SOP.
- .20 ____ Coordinates procedures to be used in the event of a medical emergency or compromise of the mission.
- .21 ____ Issues the patrol order and an underwater insertion annex (Dive PPlan).
- .22 ____ Coordinates procedures to be used to receive updated weather forecasts and intelligence prior to insertion.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: None.

KEY INDICATORS: None.

TASK: 9A.2.6 CONDUCT HELICOPTER INSERTION PLANNING

CONDITION(S): The @MEU has been given the task of conducting a maritime special purpose operation. The element commander has determined that the insertion will be accomplished by helicopter. The insertion can occur during night or during limited visibility.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Conducts detailed planning with the air planners to include schedule of insertion of elements, locations of helicopter LZ's, both primary and alternate; route selection and checkpoint identification; escort aircraft, on-call fire support; use of pathfinder aircraft, and downed aircraft procedures.
- .2 ____ Schedules a ZIPPO brief to ensure last minute details requiring coordination are discussed face to face between the air and ground commanders.
- .3 ____ Coordinates fire support planning with the G/S-3/FSC to include artillery, air, and NGF to ensure that adequate fire support is available throughout the insertion.
- .4 ____ Considers tactical deception to support the insertion; e.g., separate flight of aircraft landing at dummy zones.
- .5 ____ Considers parachuting, or rappelling and fast rope insertion techniques when the situation does not allow for landing the aircraft.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: None.

KEY INDICATORS: None.

TASK: 9A.2.7 CONDUCT HELICOPTER EXTRACTION PLANNING

CONDITION(S): The MEU has been given the task of conducting a maritime special purpose operation. The element commander has determined that the extraction will be accomplished by helicopter. The extraction will occur during night or during limited visibility.

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STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Schedules the extraction to occur as soon as possible after the completion of the mission.
- .2 ____ Conducts detailed planning with the air planners to include schedule of extraction of elements, locations of helicopter LZ's, both primary and alternate; route selection and checkpoint identification; escort aircraft, method of ITG; e.g., lights, infrared lighting, UHF homing signal; on-call fire support; use of pathfinder aircraft, and downed aircraft procedures.
- .3 ____ Develops an extract window and aircraft contact points for each element extraction in order to coordinate the required communications between the team and the extraction aircraft.
- .4 ____ Coordinates fire support planning with the G/S-3/FSC to include artillery, air, and NGF to ensure that adequate fire support is available throughout the extraction.
- .5 ____ Considers tactical deception to support the insertion; e.g., separate flight of aircraft landing at dummy zones.
- .6 ____ Identifies a demolitions force representative to fly in the extraction helicopter.
- .7 ____ Plans for contingencies, emergency extraction, escape, and evasion.
- .8 ____ Considers the use of SPIE rig for extraction when the situation does not allow for landing of the aircraft.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: None.

KEY INDICATORS: None.

TASK: 9A.2.8 CONDUCT MISSION BRIEFING FOR AIR MOVEMENT

CONDITION(S): The MEU has published the order for a maritime special purpose operation, and an ATO has been issued. All liaison has been performed by the ACE, and mission planning is complete. Though intended to be a low threat aviation delivery of personnel, the warning order requires the planning for possible contingencies.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Brief is conducted per SOP and uses format contained in NWP 55-9 (ASH pocket guide).
- .2 ____ Briefs detailed ground scheme of maneuver, forces and weapons involved, control points, LZ's/alternate LZ's, ingress/egress routes, and escorts.
- .3 ____ Briefs fire support integration plan, assets available and control measures.
- .4 ____ Utilizes maps, aerial photos, sketches, or other training aids when briefing the overall mission.
- .5 ____ Clearly states mission priorities.
- .6 ____ Establishes the chain of responsibility to include AMC, TAC(A), ASC(A), DASC(A), HDC, TFL, EFL, and alternate flight leaders.
- .7 ____ Briefs Bump plan.
- .8 ____ Briefs current weather, and criteria for helo and fixed-wing go/no go.
- .9 ____ Briefs prelaunch times/frequencies and takeoff times.
- .10 ____ Briefs ingress/egress primary and alternate routes, phaselines, checkpoints, timing, airspeed/altitude, formations, and en route communications.
- .11 ____ Briefs minimum number of aircraft required to continue the mission (GO/NO GO).

- .12 ____ Briefs rules of engagement/weapons conditions.
- .13 ____ Establishes authority to change routes and LZ's.
- .14 ____ Designates grid locations of primary and alternate LZ's; briefs LZ's to include landing and take off directions/instructions.
- .15 ____ Reviews evasive maneuvers if enroute difficulties are encountered.
- .16 ____ Briefs rendezvous points.
- .17 ____ Briefs downed aircraft procedures over land or sea, to include escape and evasion considerations.
- .18 ____ Briefs minimum/bingo fuel.
- .19 ____ Briefs chattermark procedures and MIJI reporting.
- .20 ____ Briefs lost visual contact/inadvertent IMC.
- .21 ____ Briefs flight emergencies to include procedures in the event a crewman becomes a casualty.
- .22 ____ Briefs normal and emergency NATOPS/safety procedures for ordnance, HST, and aircrew.
- .23 ____ Establishes observation/lookout responsibilities and procedures.
- .24 ____ Establishes time and place of debrief.
- .25 ____ Provides EEI's.
- .26 ____ Lists mission essential equipment.
- .27 ____ Briefs communications plan to include NORDO procedures, code words, prowords, frequencies, EMCON procedures, aircraft and ground signals, etc.
- .28 ____ Gives time hack.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: The in-flight coordination required should be accomplished utilizing secure voice, pre-briefed techniques, code words, or other measures that reduce unnecessary communications. The mission brief is to be conducted by the mission commander or his designee. All participants should attend.

KEY INDICATORS: None.

TASK: 9A.2.9 CONDUCT AIR MOVEMENT NIGHT MISSION BRIEFING

CONDITION(S): The maritime special purpose operation will occur at night or during periods of limited visibility, the following items will be added to the mission brief.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Briefs ambient light conditions.
- .2 ____ Briefs aircraft lighting and flight formations.
- .3 ____ Briefs night vision device procedures.
- .4 ____ Briefs illumination plan to include flares, infrared search lights, spotlights, etc.
- .5 ____ Briefs ITG and LZ layout.
- .6 ____ Briefs contingencies and emergency procedures both en route and at the LZ.
- .7 ____ Briefs flight deck lighting for NVG operations.

EVALUATION INSTRUCTIONS: None.

KEY INDICATORS: None.

TASK: 9A.2.10 CONDUCT MISSION BRIEFING FOR SURFACE MOVEMENT CRAFT

CONDITION(S): The maritime special purpose operation will include a surface movement insertion. The insertion can be conducted at night or during periods of darkness or periods of limited visibility from surface craft.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Conducts a reconnaissance of the landing site outside the surf zone prior to insert.
- .2 ____ Navigates at sea using dead reckoning, electronic navigation, and/or coastal piloting to within 500 meters of the planned landing site.
- .3 ____ Lands under the planned lighting conditions.
- .4 ____ Arrives with the team intact, capable of conducting the mission with serviceable equipment.
- .5 ____ Establishes cache for boats, emplaces security element, and clears beach of all evidence of landing.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: None.

KEY INDICATORS: None.

TASK: 9A.2.11 CONDUCT MISSION BRIEFING FOR SUBSURFACE MOVEMENT

CONDITION(S): The maritime special purpose operation will include a subsurface insertion. The MSPF has been designated and is preparing for the operation.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Briefs the patrol order and an underwater insertion annex (Dive Plan).
- .2 ____ Inspects the diving equipment for serviceability, fit, and ensures diving tanks have been hydrolytically tested within the allowable time.
- .3 ____ Medically screens patrol members.
- .4 ____ Inspects the waterproofing of weapons and equipment.
- .5 ____ Ensures patrol members wear the specified equipment according to the SOP.
- .6 ____ Prepares compass attack boards for each pair of patrol members.
- .7 ____ Checks to ensure adequate numbers of chemlights are on-hand to include a distinct color to identify the patrol leader.
- .8 ____ Reviews intra-team and intra-patrol communications procedures to include medical distress signals and procedures to be used.
- .9 ____ Ensures all personnel understand the order and are cognizant of their duties and responsibilities.
- .10 ____ Quizzes patrol members on underwater and emergency procedures.

.11 ____ Prepares for operations ashore.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: None

KEY INDICATORS: None.

TASK: 9A.2.12 CONDUCT MISSION BRIEFING FOR PARACHUTE OPERATIONS

CONDITION(S): The maritime special purpose operation commander has determined that the MSPF will be inserted by parachute insertion. The drop can be conducted during daylight, night, or low visibility conditions. The aircraft supporting the drop can be either fixed or rotary wing aircraft.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Jumpmaster receives brief from pilots and loadmasters on in-flight aircraft emergencies, and drop signals.
- .2 ____ Jumpmaster conducts a detailed pilot/fLight crew briefing to include DZ brief, in-fLight procedures, and injured jumper procedures.
- .3 ____ Jumpmaster provides in-flight orientation to all personnel.
- .4 ____ Conducts a detailed tactical end jump brief.
- .5 ____ Conducts an equipment check (2 checks per jumper) in the marshaling area or in-flight if in-flight rigging is appropriate.
- .6 ____ Ensures serviceable flashlights or emergency signaling devices are issued to each jumper for night jumps.
- .7 ____ Inspects to ensure the type device or method used to highlight each night jumper is serviceable and prominently displayed.
- .8 ____ Inspects serviceability of instrument light panel.
- .9 ____ Conducts a final inspection to ensure all exposed skin is covered.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: The MSPF is responsible to ensure both jumpmasters and riggers are qualified.

KEY INDICATORS: None.

TASK: 9A.2.13 CONDUCT HELICOPTER MOVEMENT

CONDITION(S): The maritime special purpose force has been ordered to execute the mission by helicopter, L hour has been established.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Configures aircraft to conduct preplanned mission (troops, internal cargo, external lift, ordnance, etc.).
- .2 ____ Completes all preflight requirements prior to scheduled takeoff times.
- .3 ____ Conducts a ZIPPO brief to ensure last minute details requiring coordination are discussed face to face between the air and ground commanders.

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- .4 ____ Stages helicopter teams, and conducts a final inspection prior to calling the teams away.
- .5 ____ Boards helicopters with minimum delay with each Marine demonstrating a clear understanding of safety procedures.
- .6 ____ Manifests all Marines embarked.
- .7 ____ Employs flight tactics that are based on the enemy situation, provides effective Lookout, maneuverability, effective flight control, and ensures mission accomplishment.
- .8 ____ Formation facilitates support from attack helicopters.
- .9 ____ Provides for fixed-wing support in escort or attack role, if required.
- .10 ____ Employs a formation that provides for control at night or during marginal weather conditions.
- .11 ____ Employs a formation capable of executing planned inadvertent instrument meteorological conditions IMC procedures.
- .12 ____ Formation is per NWP-55-9 (ASH Manual), and tactical Manual Pocket Guide.
- .13 ____ Timeline is adhered to.
- .14 ____ Executes flight per briefed safety procedures and SOP.
- .15 ____ Exercises communications discipline during flight operations.
- .16 ____ Assault Support Coordinator (Airborne (ASC(A))) exercises airborne control of helicopters within his area of responsibility.
- .17 ____ Lay out of LZ is briefed, and allows for safe separation of aircraft.
- .18 ____ Inserts the maritime special purpose force into the correct LZ, at the designated time.
- .19 ____ Lifts appropriate representatives in assault lift to initiate LZ control.
- .20 ____ Marines deplane quickly, safely, and disperse as helicopters lift out of zone.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: None.

KEY INDICATORS: None.

TASK: 9A.2.14 CONDUCT SURFACE MOVEMENT

CONDITION(S): The MSPF has been tasked to conduct an OTH insertion. The insertion can be conducted at night or during periods of darkness or periods of limited visibility using small boats.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Conducts a reconnaissance of the landing site outside the surf zone prior to insert.
- .2 ____ Navigates to within 500 meters of the planned landing site.
- .3 ____ Lands under the planned lighting conditions.
- .4 ____ Arrives with the team intact, capable of conducting the mission with serviceable equipment.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: None.

KEY INDICATORS: None.

TASK: 9A.2.15 CONDUCT SUBSURFACE MOVEMENT

CONDITION(S): The MSPF has been tasked to conduct an underwater insertion. The MSPF has completed planning and preparation for the insertion. The MSPF can be delivered to the area by surface, subsurface, or air. The insertions can occur at night or during periods of limited visibility. The distance from the objective is dependent on the tactical situation, the enemy's detection capability, weather, delivery vehicle, and open/closed circuit breathing equipment range limitations.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Coordinates the movement to the designated insertion point.
- .2 ____ Enters the water and regroup.
- .3 ____ Attains neutral buoyancy of accompanying waterproofed packs, weapons, etc.
- .4 ____ Orients the patrol and proceeds on the pre-established heading.
- .5 ____ Demonstrates the effective use of intra-petrol signals.
- .6 ____ Arrives outside the surf-line at a point not more than 200 meters from the intended location.
- .7 ____ Arrives within 10 minutes of the planned time.
- .8 ____ Scout swimmers conduct a reconnaissance of the beach without compromise.
- .9 ____ Hides the diving equipment according to plan, remain undetected, and prepares to conduct the mission ashore with a minimum of delay.
- .10 ____ Ensures the area is sanitized.
- .11 ____ All equipment and weapons arrive on shore and are dry and serviceable.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: None.

KEY INDICATORS: None.

TASK: 9A.2.16 CONDUCT PARACHUTE OPERATIONS

CONDITION(S): The elements of the MSPF are conducting parachute operations in support of the maritime special purpose operation.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Marines enplane.
- .2 ____ Start pre-breathing operations (as required MFF operations)
- .3 ____ All Marines jump on command.
- .4 ____ Marines join up in flight and maintain the integrity of the team.
- .5 ____ Team leader determines and gives hand and arm signals to indicate heading.

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- .6 ____ Team members at the "given altitude" track away for separation as briefed.
- .7 ____ Team members at the "pull altitude" clear, wave off, and pull rip cord.
- .8 ____ All Marines in the stick track on the leader and land within the objective area.
- .9 ____ All Marines deploy combat equipment (if appropriate.)
- .10 ____ All Marines assemble, bury or conceal equipment as briefed.
- .11 ____ Team conducts assigned mission.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: None.

KEY INDICATORS: ASSEMBLE AFTER JUMP

After the jump has been completed, the unit's ability to reorganize both personnel and equipment are indicative of their ability to become operational in the shortest possible time.

SECTION 9B

MARITIME SPECIAL PURPOSE MISSIONS

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SECTION B: MARITIME SPECIAL PURPOSE MISSIONS

Section B is collective training standards proscribed for a particular maritime special purpose operation. These standards provide unique tasks for the particular operation. Common training standards for maritime special purpose operations are found in Section A of this order.

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9B.1 SPECIALIZED DEMOLITIONS OPERATIONS

TASK: 9B.1.1 CONDUCT SPECIALIZED DEMOLITIONS OPERATION PLANNING

CONDITION(S): The MEU is deployed and has received a warning order to plan and conduct a specialized demolition operation, to destroy a point target. The specialized demolition operation will be conducted at night. Urgency of the situation constrains planning time.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Acknowledge receipt of the warning order to higher headquarters.
- .2 ____ Reviews existing contingency plans and gathers available intelligence/combat information.
- .3 ____ Issues a warning order to subordinate units expected to be involved in the demolitions with an info copy to higher headquarters.
- .4 ____ Reviews essential elements of friendly information and the vulnerability assessment conducted during contingency planning; and initiates immediate measures to reduce OPSEC indicators.
- .5 ____ Analyzes the mission order to develop specific tasks.
- .6 ____ Establishes coordination with ATF and requests liaison be established with any outside agencies (national and theater) required.
- .7 ____ Assigns a liaison officer to co-locate with attack Ground Commander.
- .8 ____ Issues commander's guidance.
- .9 ____ Develops courses of action and estimates of supportability.
- .10 ____ Considers embark plan and cross decking requirements in the development of the plan.
- .11 ____ Uses standardized procedures contained in SOP's to develop the plan.
- .12 ____ Plans dedication of adequate numbers of assets to get to and from the target area in one lift, and considers backup requirements.
- .13 ____ Assigns a marshaling officer.
- .14 ____ Establishes criteria for go/no go situations including threat matrix and weather.
- .15 ____ Produces a detailed plan of attack.
- .16 ____ Considers the conduct of advance force operations.
- .17 ____ Develops a medicat evacuation plan for each phase of the operation.
- .18 ____ Develops an emergency evacuation plan.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: Estimates of supportability can be either verbal or written.

KEY INDICATORS:

WARNING ORDER

Warning order should, at a minimum, contain the following information; mission, time schedule to include rehearsals and inspections, mission time, time and place for order briefing, uniform and equipment, and any special instructions known.

TASK: 9B.1.2 CONDUCT TARGET ANALYSIS

CONDITION(S): The MEU is in receipt of a warning order to conduct a specialized demolitions operation. Available planning time is constrained.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Reviews statement of requirement.
- .2 ____ Collects target complex intelligence.
- .3 ____ Prepares flow chart of progress.
- .4 ____ Identify potential targets.
- .5 ____ Evaluate potential targets using C.A.R.V.E.R.
- .6 ____ Prepares target list.

EVALUATOR IUSTRUCTIOUS: None.

KEY INDICATORS: None.

TASK: 9B.1.3 PERFORM TASK ORGANIZATION OF THE SPECIALIZED
DEMOLITIONS FORCE

CONDITION(S): A warning order has been issued to conduct a specialized demolition mission. Emergency nature of the situation constrains operational planning time.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Organizes according to assigned mission, available intelligence, and skills required.
- .2 ____ Considers special skills and equipment of all units available to the ATF and time permitting, theater augmentation.
- .3 ____ Tailors the organization to facilitate decentralized control.
- .4 ____ Ensures the embarked radio reconnaissance detachment is organized and employed to allow for the immediate intercept of enemy transmissions.
- .5 ____ Employs reconnaissance and surveillance elements to continuously observe/screen, and if required, provide ITG support for the tanding zones/drop zones.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: None.

KEY INDICATORS: Include the R&S element, the security element, assault element, support element, command element, covering element, aviation element, and the MEU command cell.

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TASK: 9B.1.4 PREPARE FOR SPECIALIZED DEMOLITIONS OPERATIONS

CONDITION(S): The MEU has task organized a demolitions force and developed a plan to conduct a specialized demolition operation to destroy a point target. The operation order has been issued.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Conducts detailed brief on plan to all key individuals to include pilots, coxswains, and combat cargo officer(s).
- .2 ____ Utilizes a terrain model, sketch, or other training aids when briefing the plan.
- .3 ____ Ensures all personnel understand the plan and are cognizant of their duties and responsibilities.
- .4 ____ Allows opportunity for questions and comments.
- .5 ____ Isolates individuals selected for the MSPF until completion of their mission.
- .6 ____ Issues weapons, special demolitions, and conducts maintenance checks, LTI's, and operational checks on all equipment.
- .7 ____ Commences unit and individual training drills.
- .8 ____ Schedules an overall rehearsal during night time conditions if time permits.
- .9 ____ Conducts back-brief of all sub-elements.
- .10 ____ Rehearses debarkation and re-embarkation drills.
- .11 ____ Rehearses movement from ship-to-shore.
- .12 ____ Rehearses movement from LZ to the objective.
- .13 ____ Rehearses movement, actions at the objective, and withdrawal.
- .14 ____ Test fires all weapons.
- .15 ____ Ensures all personnel have received training on special equipment, weapons, or ordnance issued.
- .16 ____ Reviews the rules of engagement with all personnel.
- .17 ____ Reviews the escape and evasion plan with all personnel.
- .18 ____ Conducts final brief for all personnel and equipment to ensure prescribed items are available, serviceable and carried correctly and all personnel understand all aspects of the mission.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: None.

KEY INDICATORS: Integrated training with specialists, naval units, and supporting forces commences as early as possible.

May include amphibious training, swimming, helicopter operations, first aid, hand-to-hand combat, land navigation, escape and evasion, and survival training.

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TASK: 9B.1.5 CONDUCT DEBARKATION OF DEMOLITIONS FORCE

CONDITION(S): Demolitions force debarks from ship by either helicopter or surface means during periods of limited visibility.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Chooses type(s) of transportation which satisfies lift requirements and rapid buildup, and offers the least probability of detection.
- .2 ____ Ensures all troops are qualified for type of insertion means chosen.
- .3 ____ Conditions troops to night vision below deck.
- .4 ____ Mans debarkation stations according to SOP.
- .5 ____ Conducts final inspection of equipment and troops at debarkations stations under blackout conditions.
- .6 ____ Crosses LOD on schedule.
- .7 ____ Uses landing site(s) that support scheme of maneuver and allows for quick orientation.
- .8 ____ Uses initial ITG procedures effectively.
- .9 ____ Uses supporting fires in the event the demolitions force is compromised.
- .10 ____ Demonstrates communications discipline and flexibility.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: None.

KEY INDICATORS:

LANDING SITES

Beach Selection. All possible beaches are examined to find a beach which allows for a surprise approach from the sea and a landing in calm water. The latter is desirable although it usually increases the difficulty of effecting surprise. Sheltered waters are usually enclosed in a bay or in the lee of islands so that boats run a risk of being spotted as they approach and intercepted as they return. They may also be protected by minefields. Normally, landing places are avoided which cannot be approached from several different directions. Other factors considered in beach selection include:

- 1. Conformable with the scheme of maneuver.
- 2. Probability of gaining surprise.
- 3. Enemy dispositions.
- 4. Distance to target.
- 5. Sea approaches, beach characteristics, and beach exits.
- 6. Equipment to be moved over the beach.
- 7. Availability of cover and concealment.

Landing Zones. The choice of an inland LZ is usually based on a compromise between ease of Landing and security. Available LZ's should be sufficiently large to accommodate major elements of the demolitions group at a single touchdown. They should be relatively close to the target, offer several good routes to and from the target, and facilitate the organization of perimeter defense by reconnaissance/security elements of the demolitions force.

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TASK: 9B.1.6 CONDUCT APPROACH TO DEMOLITIONS OBJECTIVE

CONDITION(S): Demolitions force has been landed to conduct a point destruction raid with special demolitions.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Moves, once oriented, to complete assigned mission.
- .2 ____ Uses NAVAIDS to protect against disorientation, especially at night.
- .3 ____ Employs covering element to neutralize and contain enemy opposition.
- .4 ____ Assault element does not wait or deLay for security element
- .5 ____ Avoids indigenous personnel unless specifically required by the assigned mission.
- .6 ____ Moves to the objective area utiLizing periods of reduced visibility and speed.
- .7 ____ Considers terrain and weather to allocate sufficient movement time to objective.
- .8 ____ Possesses the capability of coordinating fire support plan in the event contingencies arise.
- .9 ____ Possesses appropriate antiair warfare assets.
- .10 ____ Adheres to communications discipline.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: None.

KEY INDICATORS: None.

TASK: 9B.1.7 CONDUCT ASSAULT OF THE DEMOLITIONS OBJECTIVE

CONDITION(S): Demolition force has been landed and given the mission to destroy a point target with special demolitions.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Attacks the objective in a surprise, sudden, violent coordinated action using specialized demolition techniques.
- .2 ____ Conducts containment and isolation of the objective by the security element.
- .3 ____ Elements and key individuals accomplish their assigned mission/tasks as rehearsed with minimum delay and while maintaining fire discipline.
- .4 ____ Direct and control fire support as required.
- .5 ____ Accomplishes assigned mission.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: The above requirements do not apply if stealth is used to set demolitions to destroy a point target.

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KEY INDICATORS: None.

TASK: 9B.1.8 CONDUCT WITHDRAWAL OF DEMOLITIONS FORCE

CONDITION(S): Demolitions force has conducted a point destruction raid and has withdrawn to a beach or LZ.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Withdraws from the objective in an orderly and tactically sound manner, according to rehearsed plan, and with minimal confusion.
- .2 ____ Withdraws along predesignated routes in the specified sequence.
- .3 ____ Uses a series of no fire lines proceeding back from target area to the beach or LZ.
- .4 ____ Utilizes covering element, if pursued by enemy forces, to cover the withdrawal and to conduct delaying actions.
- .5 ____ Reports and handles friendly casualties and EPW's per the plan.
- .6 ____ Changes in the withdrawal point are not made when necessary.
- .7 ____ Plans routes to withdrawal point which facilitate movement, ease of identification, protection to personnel withdrawing, and offers good positions for covering elements.
- .8 ____ Utilizes positive means to identify location of withdrawal beach/zone.
- .9 ____ Knows alternate means as well as alternate times of withdrawal.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: None.

KEY INDICATORS: None.

TASK: 9B.1.9 CONDUCT RE-EMBARKATION OF DEMOLITIONS FORCE

CONDITION(S): Demolitions force has conducted a point destruction raid.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Confirms accountability for all personnel and equipment, and stages helo/boat teams.
- .2 ____ Utilizes planned supporting fires to hold enemy at bay.
- .3 ____ Executes ITG procedures.
- .4 ____ Loads expeditiously with minimum confusion.
- .5 ____ Carries out procedures for re-embarkation upon arrival at the transporting vessel.
- .6 ____ Reconfirms accountability and reports to higher headquarters once aboard.
- .7 ____ Attempts to pickup individuals Left behind are per the alternate pickup points and times designated in the order.

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EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: None.

KEY INDICATORS: None.

TASK: 9B.1.10 DEBRIEF SPECIALIZED DEMOLITIONS OPERATION

CONDITION(S): Demolitions force has re-embarked aboard ATF vessels.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Demolitions force commander assembles personnel for debriefing.
- .2 ____ An intelligence officer or members of the planning staff debrief the demolitions force immediately upon re-embarkation.
- .3 ____ Following debrief, members of the demolitions force are briefed as to what information may be released about the overall operation.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: None.

KEY INDICATORS: None.

9B.2 CLANDESTINE RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE
OPERATIONS

TASK: 9B.2.1 CONDUCT CLANDESTINE R & S PLANNING

CONDITION(S): The Reconnaissance and Surveillance Element of the MEU receives a warning order to conduct a Clandestine R & S mission. Available planning time is constrained.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Acknowledges receipt of the warning order and initiates detailed planning.
- .2 ____ Alerts R&S element personnel.
- .3 ____ Conducts an analysis of the MEU's mission in respect to METT-T,S,L and available information.
- .4 ____ Assists in developing intelligence/information requirements on the vulnerability of enemy forces to reconnaissance and surveillance and the capability of the enemy forces to conduct counter-reconnaissance/surveillance against friendly forces in coordination with the S-2.
- .5 ____ Receives commander's initial planning guidance.
- .6 ____ Examines the MEU's proposed courses of action.
- .7 ____ Prepares an estimate of supportability.
- .8 ____ Makes recommendations on tactical employment of the R&S element.
- .9 ____ Develops R&S support plan based upon the commander's guidance and approved courses of action.
- .10 ____ Plans for the integration of SIGINT, ground EW, and COMSEC monitoring and analysis during all phases of R&S operations.
- .11 ____ Determines the requirement to employ the radio reconnaissance team.

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- .12 ____ Determines the requirement to employ the HUMINT exploitation team.
- .13 ____ Prepares the Reconnaissance and integration Appendix to the Intelligence Annex to the Operations Annex in coordination with the S-2, S-3, and S-6 for inclusion in the MEU's operations order.
- .14 ____ Coordinates with CATF CEO/cryptologic elements for communication, SI communications, SIGINT/EW support.
- .15 ____ Coordinates with CATF cryptologic elements and the S-2 to request theater and/or national SIGINT/EW and HUMINT support, as required.
- .16 ____ Coordinates the incorporation of the MEU commander's EEI's and OIR's, and SIGINT support requirements into the CATF's collection plan.
- .17 ____ Coordinates with CATF elements to ensure LF information objectives are supported during the operation.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: This task is applicable to both evaluated amphibious exercises and evaluated special skills exercises, and each will be evaluated separately.

The focus of this task is on the functioning of the R&S planning cell and the R&S element OIC as he fulfills his basic planning responsibilities to the MEU. This task is evaluated through all phases. The evaluator should note that some of the requirements are one-time actions and some are repetitive actions that will recur as the tactical situation changes.

KEY INDICATORS: When the MEU staff has developed various courses of action for consideration by the commander, the R&S element OIC develops his estimate of supportability. This estimate can be written or verbal dependent on time available. To accomplish this estimate, the OIC must consider the following aspects:

a. Operational environment, Terrain and weather in the area of operations which has a major effect on the employment of R&S elements.

(1) Operational Environment. The military/political climate of the area will determine the operational environment for U.S. forces, and will dictate the method of insertion, tactics and employment. The operational environment may vary from:

(a) permissive, Host country military and Law enforcement agencies have control and the intent and capability to assist operations that a unit intends to conduct. (host government assistance for U.S. operation i.e.; vehicles, area security, staging area, information, etc.)

(b) semi-permissive, Host government forces, whether opposed to or receptive to operations that a unit intends to conduct do not have totally effective control of the territory and population in the intended area of operations. (ie; Peru or Columbia)

(c) non-permissive, Area under control of hostile forces that have the intent and capability to effectively oppose or react to the operations a unit intends to conduct. (ie; Somalia, Bosnia, Iran, etc., active hostility toward U.S. forces/host government abetting terrorist activities).

(2) Determine whether it is a Supported, Supporting, or Unilateral R&S mission.

b. Enemy communications and non-communications electronic systems in the area of operations, to include:

- (1) Density of emitters within enemy forces.
- (2) Dependence on emitters by the enemy.
- (3) System technical characteristics and techniques, to include frequency ranges, power output, emission and system types, and antenna configurations.
- (4) Security systems and practices utilized by the enemy.
- (5) Deception practices utilized by the enemy.
- (6) Enemy communications and non-communications electronic operating procedures.

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- (7) System structure.
- (8) Enemy language and dialects.
- c. Capability of the R&S element or assets external to the ARG/MEU to support each of the courses of action envisioned, with emphasis on.
 - (1) Signals intelligence, electronic warfare, and communications equipment requirements to support each course of action.
 - (2) State of proficiency of the personnel available.
 - (3) Combat service support and special support requirements.
 - (4) HUMINT and/or external agency support requirements to support each course of action.
- d. Recommendations on whether the supported command's mission is or is not supportable, and which course of action is not supportable from a R&S standpoint.

DETERMINING REQUIREMENT TO EMPLOY ORGANIC RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE ASSETS

The ARG/MEU(SOC) Reconnaissance and Surveillance Elements is employed to conduct specified R&S operations during pre-assault, advance force, or maritime special purpose operations when the conduct of such operations by other elements is inappropriate or not feasible. Intelligence gathering operations are intended to provide swift, clandestine infiltration against a specific target by selected assets from within the MEU(SOC). These missions will focus on gathering critical tactical or strategic intelligence information, and will be executed by forces which have been specially trained and equipped for such missions. The information gathered through such missions may be extremely time-sensitive or may be required to support more long-term goals or anticipated future operations. The two principal types of intelligence gathering operations will be Surveillance Operations and Reconnaissance Operations.

- a. The Reconnaissance and Surveillance element is typically employed in the following roles:

- (1) During MEU(SOC) Amphibious Operations

- (a) When the available data on the specific characteristics of enemy forces in the area of operations, particularly the tactical information of low-echelon enemy units likely to be encountered by the landing force, is insufficient to provide specific critical information to MEU(SOC) elements Landing on or after H/L-Hour, or is otherwise non-existent, the conjunction with other pre-assault or advance force operations to search for and locate and fix the enemy, involving finding and identifying those forces, MAINTAINING SURVEILLANCE ONCE LOCATED WITHOUT COMPROMISE, assessing the capabilities an intentions, and reporting the collected data to the SARC OIC prior to H/L-Hour.

- (b) When R&S Element support to pre-assault or advance force operations is requested/required by the MEU, the R&S element may be inserted either independently or in conjunction with other pre-assault/advance force operations to conduct R&S operations in order to provide indication and warning (I&W) support to pre-assault/advance force elements.

- (c) In both of the above cases, data reported or confirmed by the R&S element is utilized to plan H/L-Hour operations, and/or provide specific information to assault elements landing on or after H/L-Hour.

- (2) During MEU (SOC) maritime special purpose operations.

- (a) The limited time evolution of many maritime special purpose operations normally does not allow for the time-consuming process of searching for and collecting unavailable/unknown data on enemy forces. These missions are undertaken to gain critical specific information on a particular target, geographic area, or activity and resources of an opposing force. These missions differ from surveillance mission in that the time allowed for observation is finite, and the information sought is very specific, as opposed to the more general objectives or surveillance operations.

- (b) The R&S element may be employed in support of ARG/MEU (SOC) maritime special purpose operations to provide I&W support to assault elements and/or direct action elements.

- (c) The R&S element may also be tasked to confirm critical information required in support of the special operation.

- (3) Special Surveillance Operations.

(a) Surveillance; the systematic observation or monitoring of places, persons, or things by visual, aural, electronic, photographic, or other means. Surveillance operations involve the systematic observation of a target or targeted area over a period of time. This form of surveillance will be integrated into a larger collection strategy that may incorporate organic ARG/MEU collection assets with fleet, theater, and national assets or systems. Clandestine ground surveillance, primarily deep scouting, can provide tactical commanders, and higher headquarters, with a critical prolonged information gathering capability. Other capabilities which may be brought to bear include: sensor implants, HUMINT, SIGINT, IMINT operations.

b. In determining the requirement to employ the R&S Element in support of any type of MEU(SOC) operations, the following conditions should apply:

(1) A R&S element capability is required, thus precluding the employment of other national/theater elements. R&S Elements capabilities include, but are not limited to:

- (a) Clandestine insertion/extraction capability.
- (b) Clandestine movement/patrol capability.
- (c) Self-sustained independent operation capability.
- (d) Clandestine Reconnaissance and Surveillance capability.

(2) Other ARG/MEU(SOC) assets or CATF cryptologic/aerial reconnaissance assets cannot be effectively positioned or otherwise employed.

(3) Theater and/or national assets are not available or are not expected to be available within sufficient time to be effective.

TASK: 9B.2.2 TASK ORGANIZE THE R & S FORCE

CONDITION(S): The MEU is in receipt of a warning order to conduct a Clandestine R & S mission. Available planning time is constrained.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Organizes according to assigned mission, available intelligence, and skills required.
- .2 ____ Considers special skills and equipment of all units available to the amphibious task force to include theater augmentation.
- .3 ____ Tailors the organization to facilitate decentralized control.
- .4 ____ Ensures the embarked radio reconnaissance detachment is organized and employed to allow for the immediate intercept of enemy transmission.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: None.

KEY INDICATORS: None.

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TASK: 9B.2.3 CONDUCT R & S COMMUNICATIONS PLANNING

CONDITION(S): The MEU is in receipt of a warning order to conduct a Clandestine R&S mission. Due to distances and terrain, line of sight communications is not possible. Available planning time is constrained.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Identifies required communications needs.
- .2 ____ Employs various types of radios; i.e., SATCOM, UHF VHF, and HF, with enough redundancy to ensure reliable communications for all long range requirements.
- .3 ____ Identifies critical communications nets.
- .4 ____ Conducts liaison with ATF communications planners.
- .5 ____ Identifies interoperability problems with ATF and theater assets.
- .6 ____ Coordinates with raid elements to ensure required connectivity is planned.
- .7 ____ Determines SATCOM requirements, and requests access.
- .8 ____ Ensures Communications Plan contains SATCOM channelization.
- .9 ____ Develops communications contingency plan.
- .10 ____ Ensures an adequate number of frequencies are allocated.
- .11 ____ Considers EMCOH in the objective area.
- .12 ____ Ensures adherence to communications discipline during planning.
- .13 ____ Considers aerial retransmission using both organic and theater aircraft, as well as ground retransmission sites.
- .14 ____ Ensures Communications Plan reflects correct key lists and edition numbers, and verifies units possess them.
- .15 ____ Ensures intertheater C3 (ICP) for joint operations COMSEC package is held and meets MEU requirements.
- .16 ____ Coordinates with the ACE/TACRON in the development of the communications portion of pilots/controller handbook.
- .17 ____ Plans for HF field expedient antennas, if required.
- .18 ____ Plans for spare parts to be deployed.
- .19 ____ Develops COMSEC plan, and provides friendly information to S-2 and Radio Battalion detachment to ensure effective guarding of required nets.
- .20 ____ Performs communications checks with all elements aboard ship prior to deployment, paying particular attention to those radios deemed critical.
- .21 ____ Disseminates any special signals to be used between naval ships and MSPF.
- .22 ____ Coordinates with the MEU staff to determine doctrinal and unique requirements, and exchanges information on communications support.
- .23 ____ Coordinates with communications personnel of adjacent/higher command elements to identify doctrinal and unique requirements, liaison requirements, and exchange information.
- .24 ____ Coordinates with subordinate unit communications personnel to determine doctrinal and unique requirements, and exchanges information on communications support requirements and assets available.

- .25 ____ Identifies organic personnel and equipment assets available to support the planned communication system.
- .26 ____ Plans for adequate material to construct earth electrode systems.
- .27 ____ Ensures adequate separation between possible EMI emitters.
- .28 ____ Ensures radiation hazards to personnel/fuels/explosives are considered in all communications plans.
- .29 ____ Determines and provides for the internal redistribution of assets, if required.
- .30 ____ Determines and requests personnel and equipment augmentation (ATF/higher command element/host nation/U. S. Embassy), if required.
- .31 ____ Identifies and requests external (ATF/higher command element/host nation/U. S. Embassy) support; i.e., frequencies, telecommunications service requests, communications guard shifts, AUTGDIN access requirements, satellite access requests, etc.
- .32 ____ Submits the MEU prioritization and allocation of shipboard communications asset requirements to the ATF.
- .33 ____ Coordinates with the ACE and MEU FSC in the development of the communications portion of the pilots/controllers handbook.
- .34 ____ Establishes restoration priorities based on the commander's guidance.
- .35 ____ Determines transmission security requirements.
- .36 ____ Determines emissions security requirements.
- .37 ____ Determines cryptological security requirements.
- .38 ____ Determines physical security requirements.
- .39 ____ Compiles communications access lists, and publishes appropriate procedures.
- .40 ____ Ensures sufficient intertheater COMSEC package (IC3CP) for Combined/Joint operations is held and meets mission requirements.
- .41 ____ Ensures that subordinates possess the required keying materials and CMS equipment.
- .42 ____ Plans for adequate personnel and safeguards for security of communications spaces.
- .43 ____ Identifies unique communications requirements; i.e., equipment, format, procedures, etc., based on the specific command and control relationships established.
- .44 ____ Determines liaison requirements to include equipment, personnel, procedures, and communications.
- .45 ____ Identifies unique CMS considerations, such as NATO or allied forces interoperability requirements.
- .46 ____ Coordinates intertheater CMS contingency packages for subordinates to ensure equipment compatibility and adequacy of inventory.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: None.

KEY INDICATORS: None.

TASK: 9B.2.4 PLAN RADIO RECONNAISSANCE TEAM EMPLOYMENT

CONDITION(S): The radio battalion detachment has received a warning order to support a MEU(SOC) R&S operation and has determined a valid requirement to employ the RRT. The detachment has commenced planning with the MEU staff, maritime special purpose operations officer, and CATF cryptologic assets.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Prepares brief statements of the enemy and friendly situation and capabilities.
- .2 ____ Identifies specific taskings for the RRT which are within their capabilities (SIGINT collection, determining relative line-of-bearing, reporting of unevaluated information, maintenance of secure communications, etc.)
- .3 ____ Conducts a detailed terrain analysis to highLight military aspects of terrain using KOCOA.
- .4 ____ Prepares a detailed fire support plan which utilizes all available assets, and coordinates fire support request procedures.
- .5 ____ Lists all members of the patrol.
- .6 ____ Issues a warning order to subordinates within 30 minutes of receiving a warning order from the MEU.
- .7 ____ Establishes the chain of command.
- .8 ____ Covers all necessary individual requirements in the assignment of positions and duties.
- .9 ____ Follows established principles in organizing the patrol into elements and teams.
- .10 ____ Lists all required special equipment to accomplish the mission.
- .11 ____ Designates individuals to carry the special equipment.
- .12 ____ Selects a common uniform and personal equipment base on weather, terrain, and mission.
- .13 ____ Publishes a schedule which includes the time of issuance of the patrol order, rehearsal, inspection schedule, issuance of supplies, equipment, and weapons.
- .14 ____ Ensures all designated patrol members understand the patrol warning order.
- .15 ____ Issues specific preparation instructions to key individuals i.e., duties, responsibilities, etc.
- .16 ____ Coordinates RRT employment with the MEU staff.
- .17 ____ Coordinates with CATF cryptologic assets for SI communications, SIGINT/EW support.
- .18 ____ Plans for reliable, Low probability of exploitation (LPE), low probability of intercept (LPI) communications with the MEU, CATF, supported mission commander, other advance force elements, etc., as required.
- .19 ____ Coordinates with the advance force commander/maritime special purpose operations officer when planning the insertion/extraction of the RRT.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: None.

KEY INDICATORS: None.

TASK: 9B.2.5 PLAN R & S FORCE EMPLOYMENT

CONDITION(S): The R&S element has received a warning order to support a MEU(SOC) operation and has determined a valid requirement to employ R&S assets. The detachment has commenced planning with the MEU staff, Reconnaissance and Surveillance planning cell, maritime special purpose operations officer, and CATF.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Conducts analysis of the enemy and friendly situation and capabilities.
- .2 ____ Identifies specific taskings for the R&S element which are within their capabilities (SIGINT collection, visual observation, imagery collection, determining risk of compromise, specific collection requirements, reporting of unevaluated information, maintenance of secure communications etc.)
- .3 ____ Conducts a detailed IPB/terrain analysis to highlight military aspects of terrain using KOCOA.
- .4 ____ Prepares a detailed fire support plan which utilizes all available assets, and coordinates fire support request procedures.
- .5 ____ Identifies task organization and all members of the R&S element.
- .6 ____ Issues a warning order to subordinates within 30 minutes of receiving a warning order from the MEU.
- .7 ____ Establishes the chain of command.
- .8 ____ Covers all necessary individual requirements in the assignment of positions and duties.
- .9 ____ Follows established principles in organizing the R&S element into elements and teams.
- .10 ____ Lists all required special equipment to accomplish the mission.
- .11 ____ Designates individuals to carry the special equipment.
- .12 ____ Selects The common uniform and personal equipment based on weather, terrain, and mission.
- .13 ____ Publishes a schedule which includes the time of issuance of the R&S operation order, rehearsal, inspection schedule, issuance of supplies, equipment, weapons, and R&S confirmation briefing for the CLF.
- .14 ____ Ensures all designated R&S element members understand the warning order.
- .15 ____ Issues specific preparation instructions to key individuals i.e., duties, responsibilities, etc.
- .16 ____ Coordinates R&S element employment with the MEU staff.
- .17 ____ Coordinates with CATF cryptologic assets for SI communications, SIGINT/EW support.
- .18 ____ Plans for reliable, low probability of exploitation (LPE), low probability of intercept (LPI) communications with the MEU, CATF, supported mission commander, other advance force elements, etc., as required.
- .19 ____ Coordinates with the advance force commander/maritime special purpose operations officer when planning the insertion/extraction of the R&S element.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: None.

KEY INDICATORS: None.

TASK: 9B.2.6 CONDUCT PLANNING FOR FOLLOW-ON FORCES

CONDITION(S): The MEU is conducting rapid planning for a Clandestine R & S mission and follow-on forces are enroute.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Exchanges liaison officer.
- .2 ____ Plans for communications lines.
- .3 ____ Prepare reception plan for follow-on forces.
- .4 ____ Brief R & S communications plan.
- .5 ____ Brief movement plan.
- .6 ____ Brief logistics support available
- .7 ____ Brief support forces available.
- .8 ____ Provide intelligence update.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: None.

KEY INDICATORS: None.

TASK: 9B.2.7 PREPARE FOR CLANDESTINE R & S MISSION

CONDITION(S): The MEU has task organized an R & S force and developed a plan to conduct a Clandestine R & S mission. The operations order has been issued. Available planning time is constrained.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Conducts detailed brief on plan to all key individuals to include pilots, coxswains, and combat cargo officer(s).
- .2 ____ Utilizes a terrain model, sketch, or other training aids when briefing plan.
- .3 ____ Ensures all personnel understand the plan, and are cognizant of their duties and responsibilities.
- .4 ____ Allows opportunity for questions and comments.
- .5 ____ Isolates individuals selected for the R & S force until completion of the mission.
- .6 ____ Issues weapons and equipment, and conducts maintenance checks, LTI's, and pre-operational checks on required special equipment.
- .7 ____ Commences unit and individual training drills.
- .8 ____ Schedules an overall rehearsal during night time conditions, if time permits.
- .9 ____ Conducts back-brief of all sub-elements.
- .10 ____ Rehearses debarkation and re-embarkation drills.
- .11 ____ Rehearses movement from ship-to-shore.
- .12 ____ Rehearses movement from the beach/LZ to the objective area.
- .13 ____ Rehearses movement, actions at the objective area, and withdrawal.

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- .14 ____ Test fire all weapons.
- .15 ____ Ensures all personnel have received training on special equipment, weapons, or ordnance issued.
- .16 ____ Conduct operational checks on all communications equipment
- .17 ____ Review the rules of engagement with all personnel.
- .18 ____ Review the criteria for compromise authority
- .19 ____ Review the escape and evasion plan with all personnel.
- .20 ____ Conducts final brief for key leaders to include a ZIPPO Brief with pilots.
- .21 ____ Conducts final inspection for all personnel and equipment to ensure prescribed items are available, serviceable and carried correctly, and all personnel understand all required aspects of the mission.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: None.

KEY INDICATORS:

UNIT TRAINING

Integrated training with specialists, naval units, and supporting forces commences as early as possible.

INDIVIDUAL TRAINING

May include: Amphibious training; swimming; helicopter operations; first aid; hand-to-hand combat; land navigation; escape and evasion; and survival training.

TASK: 9B.2.8 CONDUCT SHIP-TO-SHORE MOVEMENT OF R & S FORCE

CONDITION(S): R & S force debarks from ship by either helicopter or surface means during periods of limited visibility.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Chooses type(s) of transportation which satisfies lift requirements and rapid buildup, and offers the least probability of detection.
- .2 ____ Ensures all troops are qualified for type of insertion means chosen.
- .3 ____ Conditions troops to night vision below deck.
- .4 ____ Mans debarkation stations according to SOP.
- .5 ____ Conducts final inspection of equipment and troops at debarkations stations under blackout conditions.
- .6 ____ Crosses LOD on schedule.
- .7 ____ Uses landing site(s) that support scheme of maneuver and allows for quick orientation.
- .8 ____ Uses initial ITG procedures effectively.
- .9 ____ Uses supporting fires in the event the R & S force is compromised.
- .10 ____ Demonstrates communications discipline and flexibility.

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EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: None.

KEY INDICATORS:

LANDING SITES

Beach Selection. All possible beaches are examined to find a beach which allows for a surprise approach from the sea and a landing in calm water. The latter is desirable although it usually increases the difficulty of effecting surprise. Sheltered waters are usually enclosed in a bay or in the Lee of islands so that boats run a risk of being spotted as they approach and intercepted as they return. They may also be protected by minefields. Normally landing places are avoided which cannot be approached from several different directions. Other factors considered in beach selection include:

1. Conformable with the scheme of maneuver.
2. Probability of gaining surprise.
3. Enemy dispositions.
4. Distance to target.
5. Sea approaches, beach characteristics, and beach exits.
6. Equipment to be moved over the beach.
7. Availability of cover and concealment.

Landing Zones. The choice of an inland LZ is usually based on a compromise between ease of Landing and security. Available LZ's should be sufficiently large to accommodate major elements of the R & S group at a site touchdown. They should be relatively close to the objective, offer several good routes to and from the objective, and facilitate the organization of perimeter defense by reconnaissance/security elements of the R & S force.

TASK: 9B.2.9 CONDUCT APPROACH TO R & S OBJECTIVE

CONDITION(S): The R & S force has been landed to conduct a Clandestine R & S mission.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Moves, once oriented to complete assigned mission.
- .2 ____ Uses NAVAIDS to protect against disorientation, especially at night.
- .3 ____ Avoids indigenous personnel unless specifically required by the assigned mission.
- .4 ____ Moves to the objective area utilizing speed and periods of reduced visibility.
- .5 ____ Considers terrain and weather to allocate sufficient movement time to objective.
- .6 ____ Possesses the capability of coordinating fire support plan in the event contingencies arise.
- .7 ____ Adheres to communications discipline.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: None.

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KEY INDICATORS: None.

TASK: 9B.2.10 CONDUCT LINK UP WITH ON-SCENE SUPPORT ASSETS

CONDITION(S): The R & S elements conduct a Link up with on-scene assets for final coordination.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Confirm sniper team locations between on-scene commander and commander/element leaders of it R & S force.
- .2 ____ Confirm sniper supportability, routes are covered and concealed, and avenues of approach to the breach point with on-scene commander and commander/element leaders of MSPF.
- .3 ____ Conduct tactical update on objective.
- .4 ____ Coordinate sniper priority of fires based upon target information and patterns of activity.
- .5 ____ Determine routes to the breach point, to include alternate and tertiary.
- .6 ____ Establish-command and control to coordinate sniper employment.
- .7 ____ Notify sniper team when strike element leaves the Last covered and concealed position.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: None.

KEY INDICATORS: None.

TASK: 9B.2.11 CONDUCT ACTIONS AT THE OBJECTIVE

CONDITION(S): The R & S elements have been inserted and are in place to conduct the mission.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Occupy the observation posts (OP) site.
- .2 ____ Construct urban hide (as required).
- .3 ____ Emplace the radio reconnaissance team.
- .4 ____ Utilize sniper support/coverage.
- .5 ____ Establish safe houses/areas.
- .6 ____ Incorporate vehicles into surveillance operations.
- .7 ____ Report requested EEI's and OIR's.
- .8 ____ Report primary and alternate routes to the objective.
- .9 ____ Report primary and alternate breach points.
- .10 ____ Conduct reports in accordance with unit SOP.
- .11 ____ Maintain continuous observation of objective.
- .12 ____ Maintain radio watch, communications log, and observation log.

ENCLOSURE (1)

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: None.

KEY INDICATORS: None.

TASK: 9B.2.12 CONDUCT TURNOVER FOR FOLLOW-ON FORCES

CONDITION(S): The MEU has been planning for the Clandestine R & S mission and follow-on forces have arrived on scene. Follow-on forces have the personnel and equipment to assume the mission.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Confirm primary and alternate breach points, direction of opening, and obstacles.
- .2 ____ Confirm primary and alternate routes and avenues of approach, obstacles, and terrain features.
- .3 ____ Confirm location of power, lighting, and communications.
- .4 ____ Confirm pattern of activity and security on objective, and location of vehicles.
- .5 ____ Confirm location of explosives and fuel located on the objective.
- .6 ____ Confirm location of hostage(s) and terrorist(s) on the objective.
- .7 ____ Confirm location of reconnaissance and surveillance element to include: sniper teams, radio reconnaissance teams, and other on-scene assets.
- .8 ____ Conduct sniper coordination, to include, tocation, fields of fire, priority of fire, and contingency for open air active compromise.
- .9 ____ Confirm extract plan, to include, primary and alternate sites, method and assets available, link up plan, and communications plan.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: None.

KEY INDICATORS: None.

TASK: 9B.2.13 CONDUCT WITHDRAWAL FROM OBJECTIVE AREA

CONDITION(S): The R& S element have completed the mission and have withdrawn to an extract point.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Withdraws from the objective in an orderly and tactically sound manner, according to rehearsed plan, and with minimal confusion.
- .2 ____ Withdraws along predesignated routes in the specified sequence.
- .3 ____ Utilizes covering element, if pursued by enemy forces, to cover the withdrawal and to conduct delaying actions.
- .4 ____ Reports and handles friendly casualties as per the plan.
- .5 ____ Changes extract point as necessary.
- .6 ____ Plans routes to extract point which facilitate movement, ease of identification, protection to personnel withdrawing and offers good positions for covering elements.

- .7 ____ Utilizes positive means to identify location of extract zone.
- .8 ____ Knows alternate means as well as alternate times of extract.
- .9 ____ Conducts withdrawal and re-embarkation concurrently.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: None.

KEY INDICATORS: None.

TASK: 9B.2.14 CONDUCT RE-EMBARKATION OF R & S FORCE

CONDITION(S): The R & S force has conducted the R & S mission.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Confirms accountability for all personnel and equipment, and stages helo/boat teams.
- .2 ____ Utilizes planned supporting fires to hold enemy at bay.
- .3 ____ Executes ITG procedures.
- .4 ____ Loads expeditiously with minimum confusion.
- .5 ____ Carries out procedures for re-embarkation upon arrival at the transporting vessel.
- .6 ____ Reconfirms accountability and reports to higher headquarters once aboard.
- .7 ____ Attempts to pickup individuals left behind are per the alternate pick-up points and times designated in the order.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: None.

KEY INDICATORS: None.

TASK: 9B.2.15 DEBRIEF THE CLANDESTINE R & S OPERATION

CONDITION(S): The R & S force has re-embarked aboard ATF vessels.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ R & S force commander assembles personnel for debriefing.
- .2 ____ An intelligence officer or members of the planning staff debrief the R & S force immediately upon re-embarkation.
- .3 ____ Following debrief, members of the R & S force are briefed as to what information may be released about the overall operation.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: None.

ENCLOSURE (1)

KEY INDICATORS: None.

9B.3 MARITIME INTERDICTION OPERATIONS

TASK: 9B.3.1 CONDUCT EMERGENCY ASSAULT PLANNING FOR A MIO

CONDITION(S): The MEU is deployed and has received a warning order to plan and conduct a maritime interdiction operation (MIO) in support of vessel boarding, search and seizure (VBSS) operations. The emergency assault plan must be developed so that execution of the operation may commence within six hours of receipt of the warning order. This execution may range from something as simple as the insertion of reconnaissance and surveillance assets in support of the mission to the actual launch of the assault force.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Acknowledge receipt of the warning order to higher headquarters.
- .2 ____ Reviews existing contingency plans and gathers available intelligence/combat information.
- .3 ____ Issues a warning order to subordinate units expected to be involved in the operation with an info copy to higher headquarters.
- .4 ____ Reviews essential elements of friendly information and the vulnerability assessment conducted during contingency planning; and initiates immediate measures to reduce OPSEC indicators.
- .5 ____ Analyzes the mission order to develop specific tasks.
- .6 ____ Establishes coordination with ATF and requests liaison be established with any outside agencies (national and theater) required.
- .7 ____ Assigns a liaison officer to collocate with attack Ground Commander.
- .8 ____ Issues commander's guidance.
- .9 ____ Develops courses of action and estimates of supportability.
- .10 ____ Considers embark plan and cross decking requirements in the development of the plan.
- .11 ____ Uses standardized procedures contained in SOP's to develop the plan.
- .12 ____ Plans dedication of adequate numbers of assets to get to and from the target area in one lift, and considers backup requirements.
- .13 ____ Establishes criteria for go/no go situations including threat matrix and weather.
- .14 ____ Produces a detailed plan of attack.
- .15 ____ Considers applicability of advance force operations.
- .16 ____ Develops a medical evacuation plan for each phase of the operation.
- .17 ____ Develops an emergency evacuation plan.
- .18 ____ Coordinates with Coast Guard, if applicable.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: Estimates of supportability can be either verbal or written.

KEY INDICATORS:

WARNING ORDER

Warning order should, at a minimum, contain the following information; mission, task organization, time schedule to include rehearsals and inspections, mission time, time and place for order briefing, uniform and equipment, and any special instructions known.

TASK: 9B.3.2 CONDUCTS RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE PLANNING FOR THE MIO

CONDITION(S): The MEU is in receipt of a warning order to conduct a MIO. Available planning time is constrained.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Acknowledges receipt of the warning order and initiates detailed planning.
- .2 ____ Alerts R&S element personnel.
- .3 ____ Conducts an analysis of the MEU's mission in respect to METT-T,S,L and available information.
- .4 ____ Assists in developing intelligence/information requirements on the vulnerability of enemy forces to reconnaissance and surveillance and the capability of the enemy forces to conduct counter- reconnaissance/surveillance against friendly forces in coordination with the S-2.
- .5 ____ Receives commander's initial planning guidance.
- .6 ____ Examines the MEU's proposed courses of action.
- .7 ____ Prepares an estimate of supportability.
- .8 ____ Makes recommendations on tactical employment of the R&S element.
- .9 ____ Develops R&S support plan based upon the commander's guidance and approved courses of action.
- .10 ____ Plans for the integration of SIGINT, ground EW, and COMSEC monitoring and analysis during all phases of R&S operations.
- .11 ____ Determines the requirement to employ the radio reconnaissance team.
- .12 ____ Determines the requirement to employ the HUMINT exploitation team.
- .13 ____ Prepares the Reconnaissance and integration Appendix to the Intelligence Annex to the Operations Annex in coordination with the S-2, S-3, and S-6 for inclusion in the MEU's operations order.
- .14 ____ Coordinates with CATF CEO/cryptologic elements for communication, SI communications, SIGINT/EW support.
- .15 ____ Coordinates with CATF cryptologic elements and the S-2 to request theater and/or national SIGINT/EW and HUMINT support, as required.
- .16 ____ Coordinates the incorporation of the MEU commander's EEI's and DIR's, and SIGINT support requirements into the CATF's collection plan.
- .17 ____ Coordinates with CATF elements to ensure LF information objectives are supported during the operation.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: None.

KEY INDICATORS: None.

TASK: 9B.3.3 TASK ORGANIZE THE MSPF FOR THE MIO

CONDITION(S): The MEU is in receipt of a warning order to conduct a MIO. Available planning time is constrained.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Organizes according to assigned mission, available intelligence, and skills required.
- .2 ____ Considers special skills and equipment of all units available to the ATF and, time permitting, Theater assets.
- .3 ____ Tailors the organization to facilitate decentralized control.
- .4 ____ Ensures the embarked radio reconnaissance detachment is organized, and employed to allow for the immediate intercept of enemy transmission.
- .5 ____ Augments security forces with counterintelligence teams (CIT) and ITT to interrogate civilians cleared from the target vessel.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: None.

KEY INIDICATORS: Include the R&S element, security element, assault element, support element, command element, covering element, aviation element and the MEU command cell.

TASK: 9B.3.4 CONDUCT DELIBERATE ASSAULT PLANNING FOR THE MID

CONDITION(S): The MEU has developed the emergency assault plan, follow-on forces are not on scene, and all-source intelligence is available/incoming. The MEU will develop a deliberate assault plan for MID. Available planning time is constrained.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Continue to incorporate intelligence into the plan.
- .2 ____ Conduct element/sub-element planning.
- .3 ____ Conduct element/sub-element organization.
- .4 ____ Conduct breaching plan, to include, primary and alternate breach sites, and primary and alternate methods.
- .5 ____ Conduct insert planning, to include, all available assets, routes, go/no-go criteria, bump plan, contingency plan and load plan.
- .6 ____ Conduct movement to the objective planning, to include primary and alternate routes, fire support plan, formations immediate action plans, and order of movement.
- .7 ____ Conduct linkup planning to include, long and short range recognition signals, primary and alternate sites, time and procedures for communications, actions at linkup site.
- .8 ____ Conduct actions at the objective planning, to include fire support plan, planning for the security element, support element, and assault element, and R&S sniper support planning.
- .9 ____ Conduct withdrawal planning, to include: primary and alternate routes, fire support plan, formations, immediate action plans, order of movement, and emergency/deliberate evacuation plans.

- .10 ____ Conduct marshaling planning, to include, route to marshaling point, location of marshaling points medical triage, personnel accountability, and local security.
- .11 ____ Conduct extract planning, to include, all available assets, airborne medical triage plan. routes, go/no go criteria, bump plan, contingency plan, and load plan.
- .12 ____ Conduct debrief planning, to include, turnover plan, and isolation areas.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: None.

KEY INDICATORS: None.

TASK: 9B.3.5 PREPARE FOR MIO

CONDITION(S): The MEU has task organized a MSPF for the conduct of a MIO. Available planning time is constrained.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Conducts detailed brief on plan to all key individuals to include pilots, coxswains, and combat cargo officer(s).
- .2 ____ Utilizes a model of the vessel, sketch, or other training aids when briefing plan.
- .3 ____ Ensures all personnel understand the plan, and are cognizant of their duties and responsibilities.
- .4 ____ Allows opportunity for questions and comments.
- .5 ____ Isolates individuals selected for the MSPF until completion of the mission.
- .6 ____ Issues weapons, special demolitions, and equipment, and conducts maintenance checks, LTI's, and operational checks on all equipment.
- .7 ____ Commences unit and individual training drills.
- .8 ____ Schedules an overall rehearsal during night time conditions, if time permits.
- .9 ____ Conducts back-brief of all sub-elements.
- .10 ____ Rehearses debarkation and re-embarkation drills.
- .11 ____ Rehearses movement to the vessel by helicopter.
- .12 ____ Rehearses movement by surface means to the vessel.
- .13 ____ Rehearses movement and actions onboard the vessel.
- .14 ____ Test fires all weapons.
- .15 ____ Ensures all personnel have received training on special equipment, weapons, or ordnance issued.
- .16 ____ Reviews the rules of engagement with all personnel.
- .17 ____ Reviews escape and evasion plans with all personnel.
- .18 ____ Conducts final brief for key leaders to include a ZIPPO brief with pilots.
- .19 ____ Conducts final inspection for all personnel and equipment to ensure prescribed items are available, serviceable and carried correctly, and all personnel understand all required aspects of the mission.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: None.

KEY INDICATORS:

UNIT TRAINING

Integrated training with specialists, naval units, and supporting forces commences as early as possible.

INDIVIDUAL TRAINING

May include: Amphibious training, swimming, helicopterborne operations, first aid, hand-to-hand combat, land navigation, escape and evasion, survival training, and climbing.

TASK: 9B.3.6 CONDUCT DEBARKATION OF MSPF FOR THE MIO

CONDITION(S): MSPF debarks from ship by helicopter during periods of limited visibility or at night.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Chooses type(s) of transportation which satisfies lift requirements and rapid buildup, and offers the least probability of detection.
- .2 ____ Ensures all troops are qualified for type of insertion means chosen.
- .3 ____ Conditions troops to night vision below deck.
- .4 ____ Mans debarkation stations according to SOP.
- .5 ____ Conducts final inspection of equipment and troops at debarkations stations under blackout conditions.
- .6 ____ Crosses LOD on schedule.
- .7 ____ Uses landing site(s) that support scheme of maneuver and allows for quick orientation.
- .8 ____ Uses initial ITG procedures effectively.
- .9 ____ Uses supporting fires in the event the MSPF is compromised.
- .10 ____ Demonstrates communications discipline-and flexibility.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: None.

KEY INDICATORS: None.

TASK: 9B.3.7 CONDUCT THE MIO

CONDITION(S): The MSPF has received compromise authority and elements of the MSPF are in place.

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STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Seize the vessel in a surprise, sudden, violent coordinated action using close quarters battle techniques.
- .2 ____ Conduct containment and isolation of the vessel by the security element.
- .3 ____ Elements and key individuals accomplish their assigned mission/tasks as rehearsed with minimum delay and while maintaining fire discipline.
- .4 ____ Direct and control fire support as required.
- .5 ____ Accomplishes the assigned mission.
- .6 ____ Utilizes compromise plan, if applicable.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: None.

KEY INDICATORS: None.

TASK: 9B.3.8 CONSOLIDATE THE OBJECTIVE

CONDITION(S): The MSPF has assaulted and cleared the vessel and has recovered all personnel.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Consolidate strike element to the marshaling area aboard the vessel.
- .2 ____ Maintain positive control over all living personnel.
- .3 ____ Conduct emergency medical triage as required.
- .4 ____ Maintain security on previously cleared areas.
- .5 ____ Account for all personnel.
- .6 ____ Provide required report to higher headquarters.
- .7 ____ Prepare living personnel for movement.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: None.

KEY INDICATORS: None.

TASK: 9B.3.9 CONDUCT RE-EMBARKATION OF THE MIO FORCE

CONDITION(S): The MSPF has successfully conducted a MIO.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Confirms accountability for all personnel and equipment and stages helo/boat teams.
- .2 ____ Loads expeditiously with minimal confusion.
- .3 ____ Carries out re-embarkation procedures upon arrival at ATF vessel.

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- .4 ____ Reconfirms accountability and reports to higher headquarters.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: None.

KEY INDICATORS: None.

TASK: 9B.3.10 CONDUCT MIO DEBRIEF

CONDITION(S): The MSPF has re-embarked aboard ATF vessels.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ MSPF commander assembles personnel for debriefing.
- .2 ____ Interrogation and debriefing by intelligence officer or planning staff is immediately conducted.
- .3 ____ Disseminates guidance from higher headquarters as to information which may be released about the overall operation.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: None.

KEY INDICATORS: None.

9B.4 GAS AND OIL PLATFORM OPERATIONS

TASK: 9B.4.1 CONDUCT EMERGENCY ASSAULT PLANNING FOR A GOPLAT

CONDITION(S): The MEU is deployed and has received a warning order to plan and conduct an emergency assault on a gas and oil platform (GOPLAT). The emergency assault plan must be developed within one hour of receipt of the warning order in order for the MEU to be prepared to commence an immediate emergency assault.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Acknowledge receipt of the warning order to higher headquarters.
- .2 ____ Reviews existing contingency plans and gathers available intelligence/combat information.
- .3 ____ Issues a warning order to subordinate units expected to be involved in the operation with an info copy to higher headquarters.
- .4 ____ Reviews Essential Elements of Friendly Information and the vulnerability assessment conducted during contingency planning; and initiates immediate measures to reduce OPSEC indicators.
- .5 ____ Analyzes the mission order to develop specific tasks.
- .6 ____ Establishes coordination with ATF and requests liaison be established with any outside agencies (national and theater) required.
- .7 ____ Issues commander's guidance.
- .8 ____ Uses standardized procedures contained in SOP's to develop the plan.
- .9 ____ Plans dedication of adequate numbers of assets to get to and from the target area in one lift and considers backup requirements.

- .10 ____ Establishes criteria for go/no go situations including threat matrix and weather.
- .11 ____ Produces a detailed plan of attack.
- .12 ____ Plans for a rehearsal within the constants of the time and environment of mission.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: Estimates of supportability can be either verbal or written.

KEY INDICATORS:

WARNING ORDER

Warning order should, at a minimum, contain the following information; mission, task organization, time schedule to include rehearsals and inspections, mission time, time and place for order briefing, uniform and equipment, and any special instructions known.

TASK: 9B.4.2 CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE PLANNING FOR THE GOPLAT

CONDITION(S): The MEU is in receipt of a warning order to conduct a GOPLAT seizure. The MEU will conduct a supportive reconnaissance and surveillance mission in support of the GOPLAT. Available planning time is constrained.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Acknowledges receipt of the warning order and initiates detailed planning.
- .2 ____ Alerts R&S element personnel.
- .3 ____ Conducts an analysis of the MEU's mission in respect to METT-T,S,L and available information.
- .4 ____ Assists in developing intelligence/information requirements on the vulnerability of enemy forces to reconnaissance and surveillance and the capability of the enemy forces to conduct counter-reconnaissance/surveillance against friendly forces in coordination with the S-2.
- .5 ____ Receives commander's initial planning guidance.
- .6 ____ Examines the MEU's proposed courses of action.
- .7 ____ Prepares an estimate of supportability.
- .8 ____ Makes recommendations on tactical employment of the R&S element.
- .9 ____ Develops R&S support plan based upon the commander's guidance and approved courses of action.
- .10 ____ Plans for the integration of SIGINT, ground EW, and COMSEC monitoring and analysis during all phases of R&S operations.
- .11 ____ Determines the requirement to employ the radio reconnaissance team.
- .12 ____ Determines the requirement to employ the HUMINT exploitation team.
- .13 ____ Prepares the Reconnaissance and integration Appendix to the Intelligence Annex to the Operations Annex in coordination with the S-2, S-3, and S-6 for inclusion in the MEU's operations order.
- .14 ____ Coordinates with CATF CEO/cryptologic elements for communication, SI communications, SIGINT/EW support.
- .15 ____ Coordinates with CATF cryptologic elements and the S-2 to request theater and/or national SIGINT/EW and HUMINT support, as required.

- .16 ____ Coordinates the incorporation of the MEU commander's EEI's and OIR's, and SIGINT support requirements into the CATF's collection plan.
- .17 ____ Coordinates with CATF elements to ensure LF information objectives are supported during the operation.
- .18 ____ Conducts an R&S conformation brief for the GOPLAT.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: None.

KEY INDICATORS: None.

TASK: 9B.4.3 CONDUCT DELIBERATE ASSAULT PLANNING FOR THE GOPLAT

CONDITION(S): The MEU has developed the Emergency Assault Plan. Follow-on forces are not on scene. All-source intelligence is available. The MEU must develop a deliberate assault plan for GOPLAT.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Continue to incorporate intelligence into the plan.
- .2 ____ Conduct element/sub-element planning.
- .3 ____ Conduct breaching plan to include primary and alternate breach sites and primary and alternate methods.
- .4 ____ Conduct insert planning to include all available assets, routes, go/no go criteria, Bump plan, contingency plan, and load plan.
- .5 ____ Conduct movement to the objective planning to include primary and alternate routes, fire support plan, formations, immediate action plans, and order of movement.
- .6 ____ Conduct linkup planning.
- .7 ____ Conduct actions at the objective planning to include fire support plan.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: None.

KEY INDICATORS: None.

TASK: 9B.4.4 PERFORM TASK ORGANIZATION OF MSPF FOR THE GOPLAT

CONDITION(S): The MEU is in receipt of a warning order to conduct a GOPLAT seizure. Available planning time is constrained.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Organizes according to assigned mission, available intelligence, and skills required.
- .2 ____ Considers special skills and equipment of all units available to the amphibious task force, and time permitting, theater augmentation.
- .3 ____ Tailors the organization to facilitate decentralized control.
- .4 ____ Ensures the embarked radio reconnaissance detachment is organized, and employed to allow for the immediate intercept of enemy transmissions.

- .5 ____ Employs reconnaissance and surveillance elements to continuously observe/screen, and if required, provide ITG support for the landing zones/drop zones.
- .6 ____ Augments screening/security forces with counterintelligence teams (CIT) and ITT to interrogate civilians cleared from the target area.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: None.

KEY INDICATORS: Include the R&S element, security element, assault element, support element, command element, covering element, aviation element and the MEU command cell.

TASK: 9B.4.5 PREPARE FOR GOPLAT MISSION

CONDITION(S): The MSPF has been issued a warning order to conduct a GOPLAT seizure.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Conducts detailed brief on plan to all key individuals to include pilots, coxswains, and combat cargo officer(s).
- .2 ____ Utilizes a terrain model, sketch, or other training aids when briefing plan.
- .3 ____ Ensures all personnel understand the plan, and are cognizant of their duties and responsibilities.
- .4 ____ Allows opportunity for questions and comments.
- .5 ____ Isolates individuals selected for the MSPF until completion of the mission.
- .6 ____ Issues weapons, special demolitions, and equipment, and conducts maintenance checks, LTI's, and operational checks on all required equipment.
- .7 ____ Commences unit and individual training drills.
- .8 ____ Schedules an overall rehearsal during night time conditions, if time permits.
- .9 ____ Conducts back-brief of all sub-elements.
- .10 ____ Rehearses debarkation and re-embarkation drills.
- .11 ____ Rehearses movement, actions at the target area, and withdrawal.
- .12 ____ Test fires all weapons.
- .13 ____ Ensures all personnel have received training on special equipment, weapons, or ordnance issued.
- .14 ____ Reviews the rules of engagement with all personnel.
- .15 ____ Reviews the escape and evasion plan with all personnel.
- .16 ____ Conducts final brief for key leaders to include a ZIPPO Brief with pilots.
- .17 ____ Conducts final inspection for all personnel and equipment to ensure prescribed items are available, serviceable and carried correctly, and all personnel understand all required aspects of the mission.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: None.

KEY INDICATORS:

UNIT TRAINING

Integrated training with specialists, naval units, and supporting forces commences as early as possible.

INDIVIDUAL TRAINING

May include: Amphibious training; swimming; helicopter operations; first aid; hand-to-hand combat; Land navigation; escape and evasion; and survival training.

TASK: 9B.4.6 CONDUCT DEBARKATION OF MSPF FOR THE GOPLAT

CONDITION(S): MSPF debarks from ship by either helicopter or surface means during periods of limited visibility or at night.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Chooses type(s) of transportation which satisfies lift requirements and rapid buildup, and offers the least probability of detection.
- .2 ____ Ensures all troops are qualified for type of insertion means chosen.
- .3 ____ Conditions troops to night vision below deck.
- .4 ____ Mans debarkation stations according to SOP.
- .5 ____ Conducts final inspection of equipment and troops at debarkations stations under blackout conditions.
- .6 ____ Crosses LOD on schedule.
- .7 ____ Uses landing site(s) that support scheme of maneuver and allows for quick orientation.
- .8 ____ Uses initial ITG procedures effectively.
- .9 ____ Uses supporting fires in the event the MSPF is compromised.
- .10 ____ Demonstrates communications discipline and flexibility.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: None.

KEY INDICATORS: None.

TASK: 9B.4.7 CONDUCT APPROACH TO THE GOPLAT OBJECTIVE AREA

CONDITION(S): The MSPF has landed to conduct a GOPLAT seizure operation.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Moves, once oriented, to complete assigned mission.
- .2 ____ Uses NAVAIDS to protect against disorientation, especially at night.
- .3 ____ Employs covering element to neutralize and contain enemy opposition.

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- .4 ____ Assault element delays until security element is in place.
- .5 ____ Moves to the objective area utilizing periods of reduced visibility and speed.
- .6 ____ Considers sea conditions and weather to allocate sufficient movement time to objective.
- .7 ____ Possesses the capability of coordinating fire support plan in the event contingencies arise.
- .8 ____ Possesses appropriate antiair warfare assets.
- .9 ____ Adheres to communications discipline.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: None.

KEY INDICATORS: None.

TASK: 9B.4.8 CONDUCT ACTIONS ON THE GOPLAT OBJECTIVE

CONDITION(S): The MSPF has received compromise authority and elements of the MSPF are in place.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Attacks the objective in a sudden, violent coordinated action using close quarters battle techniques.
- .2 ____ Conducts containment and isolation of the objective area by the security element.
- .3 ____ Elements and key individuals accomplish their assigned mission/tasks with minimum delay and while maintaining fire discipline.
- .4 ____ Directs and controls fire support, as required.
- .5 ____ Accomplishes assigned mission.
- .6 ____ Reacts appropriately to hazardous material/emergency evacuation.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: MSPF should consider whether GOPLAT was active or inactive.

KEY INDICATORS: None.

TASK: 9B.4.9 CONSOLIDATE THE OBJECTIVE

CONDITION(S): The MSPF has assaulted and cleared the objective.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Consolidate strike element to the marshaling area within the objective.
- .2 ____ Maintain positive control over all living individuals.
- .3 ____ Conducts emergency medical triage, as required.
- .4 ____ Maintains security on previously cleared areas.
- .5 ____ Accounts for all personnel.

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- .6 ____ Provides required report to higher headquarters.
- .7 ____ Prepares living individuals for movement.
- .8 ____ Provides litter teams and escorts, as required.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: None.

KEY INDICATORS: None.

TASK: 9B.4.10 CONDUCT WITHDRAWAL OF MSPF FROM THE GOPLAT

CONDITION(S): MSPF has conducted a GOPLAT seizure and has withdrawn to an extract point.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Withdraws from the objective in an orderly and tactically sound manner, according to rehearsed plan, and with minimal confusion.
- .2 ____ Withdraws along predesignated routes in the specified sequence.
- .3 ____ Utilizes covering element, if pursued by enemy forces, to cover the withdrawal and to conduct delaying actions.
- .4 ____ Reports and handles friendly casualties per the plan.
- .5 ____ Changes extract point as necessary.
- .6 ____ Plans routes to extract point which facilitate movement, ease of identification, protection to personnel withdrawing, and offers good positions for covering elements.
- .7 ____ Utilizes positive means to identify location of extract zone.
- .8 ____ Knows alternate means as well as alternate times of extract.
- .9 ____ Conducts withdrawal and re-embarkation concurrently.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: None.

KEY INDICATORS: None.

TASK: 9B.4.11 CONDUCT RE-EMBARKATION OF MSPF

CONDITION(S): MSPF has conducted a GOPLAT seizure.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Confirms accountability for all personnel and equipment, and stages heLo/boat teams.
- .2 ____ Utilizes planned supporting fires to hold enemy at bay.
- .3 ____ Executes ITG procedures.
- .4 ____ Loads expeditiously with minimum confusion.
- .5 ____ Carries out procedures for re-embarkation upon arrival at the transporting vessel.

ENCLOSURE (1)

- .6 ____ Reconfirms accountability and reports to higher headquarters once aboard.
- .7 ____ Attempts to pickup individuals Left behind are per the alternate pick-up points and times designated in the order.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: None.

KEY INDICATORS: None.

TASK: 9B.4.12 DEBRIEF GOPLAT OPERATION

CONDITION(S): MSPF has re-embarked aboard ATF vessels.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ MSPF commander assembles personnel for debriefing.
- .2 ____ An intelligence officer or members of the planning staff interrogate and debrief the MSPF immediately upon re-embarkation.
- .3 ____ Following debrief, members of the MSPF are briefed as to what information may be released about the overall operation.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: None.

KEY INDICATORS: None.

9B.5 CLANDESTINE RECOVERY OPERATIONS

TASK: 9B.5.1 PLAN FOR A CLANDESTINE RECOVERY OPERATION

CONDITION(S): The MEU has issued a warning order to conduct a clandestine recovery operation to extract personnel/sensitive items from a area controlled by hostile forces. Due to the urgency of the situation, planning time is constrained.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Acknowledges receipt of the warning order and initiates detailed planning.
- .2 ____ Issues a warning order to subordinate units expected to be involved in the recovery mission with an info copy to higher headquarters.
- .3 ____ Analyzes the mission to develop specific tasks.
- .4 ____ Gathers all available intelligence/combat information concerning the situation.
- .5 ____ Establishes coordination with the ATF and requests liaison be established with any outside agencies required to coordinate the operation (e.g., theater commands, Fleet intelligence Center, etc.).
- .6 ____ Uses standardized procedures contained in SOP's to develop the plan, and requests CVBG covering support, if required.
- .7 ____ Issues commander's guidance.

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- .8 ____ Ensures measures are taken to provide immediate surveillance and/or security of the aircraft.
- .9 ____ Considers embark plan and cross-decking requirements in the development of the plan.
- .10 ____ Plans the dedication of adequate numbers of assets to get to and from the target area in one lift; considers backup requirements as well.
- .11 ____ Establishes criteria for GO/NO GO situations including threat matrix and weather.
- .12 ____ Identifies the recovery site element.
- .13 ____ Identifies crisis site element and LF assault/strike element.
- .14 ____ Identifies any linguistic/ITT support required.
- .15 ____ Produces a FRAGO.
- .16 ____ Develops a medical evacuation plan for each phase of the operation.
- .17 ____ Develops an emergency recovery/CR force evacuation contingency plan which includes guidance as to the authority to destroy the aircraft and secure voice equipment, if required.
- .18 ____ Plans public affairs guidance and activities, and guidelines to determine if, or when, details of the operation will be released.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: Estimates of supportability and FRAGO can be either oral or written.

KEY INDICATORS:

WARNING ORDER

The warning order should, at a minimum, contain the following items: general information on the situation; mission; schedule of events; anticipated recovery time; time and place for briefing; and any special instructions known.

TASK: 9B.5.2 TASK ORGANIZE THE CLANDESTINE RECOVERY FORCE

CONDITION(S): A warning order has been issued to the overall mission commander to conduct a clandestine recovery mission to extract personnel/sensitive items from a area controlled by hostile forces. Due to the urgency of the situation, planning time is constrained.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Considers special skills required (EOD, avionics, metalsmiths, medical, etc.), and equipment of all units available to the ATF, and time permitting, theater and national assets.
- .2 ____ Uses notional organization developed during contingency planning to guide overall plan.
- .3 ____ Develops task organization along unit lines (i.e., company, platoon), and tailors size according to mission requirements, skill level, and available intelligence.
- .4 ____ Develops task organization along functional lines; i.e., command element, reconnaissance/security element, assault/strike element, and if planned, a reserve.
- .5 ____ Employs a recon/security element to screen/observe and/or provide ITG support of the landing beach or LZ, and provide security during execution of the recovery and for the evacuation and withdrawal.
- .6 ____ Plans a reserve force to be either landed or retained afloat should assistance be required.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: None.

KEY INDICATORS: None.

TASK: 9B.5.3 PLAN FOR INTEGRATION OF LOW ALTITUDE AIR DEFENSE (LAAD)

CONDITION(S): A warning order has been received assigning a clandestine recovery mission to extract personnel/sensitive items from a area controlled by hostile forces. The LAAD element has been tasked by the ACE to provide short-range ground-to-air missile defense at the recovery site. The ATF has established a FAAWC that is responsible for overall air defense. By utilizing shipboard radars, the FAAWC/SAAWC is able to provide early warning information.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Coordinates with the supported unit to ensure the zones of fire complement the ground scheme of maneuver and cover likely avenues of enemy approach.
- .2 ____ Recommends adequate number of teams to provide short range air defense based on the zone of action and the anticipated threat.
- .3 ____ Inputs communications needs for LAAD Weapons Control, and LAAD Team Control nets.
- .4 ____ Plans to provide early warning information from the FAAWC/SAAWC to deployed LAAD team(s) through their element.
- .5 ____ Establishes communications between the LAAD element and the ATF FAAWC/SAAWC.
- .6 ____ Briefs LAAD team(s) on alternate means of communications and lost communications procedures.
- .7 ____ Ensures communications operators are aware of EMCON and ECCM procedures.
- .8 ____ Ensures LAAD rules of engagement, air warning conditions, weapons conditions, sources of antiaircraft intelligence are per the FRAGO.
- .9 ____ Briefs deploying LAAD teams on the friendly and enemy air order of battle and on visual recognition of the specific types of aircraft, they might encounter.
- .10 ____ Coordinates with the ACE to identify ingress and egress routes of friendly aircraft and provides that information to LAAD teams.
- .11 ____ Plans to relay LAAD team visual reports and status information to the FAAWC/SAAWC through the LAAD element.
- .12 ____ Ensures LAAD teams are familiar with search and scan procedures.
- .13 ____ Coordinates with the recovery element to ensure the required load of missiles is carried, identifies any augmentation to carry the required combat load, and the means of resupply.
- .14 ____ Conducts communication checks on equipment, to include secure voice devices, prior to deployment.
- .15 ____ Conducts a final inspection of personnel, schedules, equipment, and missiles prior to deployment.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: None.

KEY INDICATORS:

EARLY WARNING

Success of LAAD employment is highly dependent on receiving early warning information, and properly emplaced command and control. Though the system is designed to be flexible, the LAAD element must be located in a position to provide both of the above. As the ATF will establish a FAAWC, it is imperative that LAAD be tied into that network to ensure total integration of air defense assets. If radar generated early warning is available, but not utilized; if communications down to the section leader(s), and subsequently the teams, are not continuously available; LAAD assets will not be utilized to best advantage. Only through proper integration of air defense assets will coverage for the Marines on the ground be optimized.

TASK: 9B.5.4 CONDUCT BRIEFING FOR AN AVIATION RECOVERY MISSION

CONDITION(S): All elements of aviation planning have been completed and an add on assignment has been made for a clandestine recovery mission. Due to the urgency of the situation, briefing time is constrained.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Brief is conducted per SOP and uses format contained in NWP 55-9 (ASH pocket guide).
- .2 ____ Briefs ground scheme of maneuver, and all forces and weapons involved.
- .3 ____ Briefs fire support integration plan, assets available, and control measures.
- .4 ____ Utilizes maps, aerial photos, sketches, or other training aids when briefing the overall mission.
- .5 ____ Clearly states mission priorities.
- .6 ____ Establishes the chain of responsibility to include AMC, TAC(A), ASC(A), DASC(A), HDC, TFL, EFL, and alternate flight leaders.
- .7 ____ Briefs Bump plan.
- .8 ____ Briefs current weather, and criteria for helo and fixed wing GO/NO GO.
- .9 ____ Briefs prelaunch times/frequencies and takeoff times.
- .10 ____ Briefs ingress/egress primary and alternate routes, phaselines, check points, timing, airspeed/altitude, formations, and en route communications.
- .11 ____ Briefs minimum number aircraft required to continue the mission (GO/NO GO).
- .12 ____ Briefs rules of engagement/weapons conditions.
- .13 ____ Establishes authority to change routes and LZ's.
- .14 ____ Designates grid locations of primary and alternate LZ's; briefs LZ to include landing and takeoff directions/instructions.
- .15 ____ Reviews evasive maneuvers.
- .16 ____ Briefs all control points.
- .17 ____ Briefs downed aircraft procedures over land or sea, to include escape and evasion considerations.
- .18 ____ Briefs minimum/bingo fuel.
- .19 ____ Briefs chattermark procedures and MIJI reporting.

- .20 ____ Briefs Lost visual contact/inadvertent IMC.
- .21 ____ Briefs flight emergencies to include procedures in the event a crewmen becomes a casualty.
- .22 ____ Briefs normal and emergency NATOPS/safety procedures for ordnance, HST, and aircrew.
- .23 ____ Establishes observation/lookout responsibilities and procedures.
- .24 ____ Establishes time and place of debrief.
- .25 ____ Provides EEI's.
- .26 ____ Lists mission essential equipment.
- .27 ____ Briefs communications plan to include NORDO procedures, code words, frequencies, EMCON procedures, aircraft, and ground signals, etc.
- .28 ____ Gives time hack.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: The in-flight coordination required should be accomplished utilizing secure voice, pre-briefed techniques, code words, or other measures that reduce unnecessary communications. This brief is to be conducted by the mission commander. All participants should attend.

KEY INDICATORS: None.

TASK: 9B.5.5 CONDUCT BRIEFING FOR AN AVIATION NIGHT RECOVERY MISSION

CONDITION(S): The clandestine recovery plan has been completed and execution of the mission will occur at night or during periods of limited visibility. The following items must be added to the briefing.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Briefs ambient light conditions.
- .2 ____ Establishes aircraft lighting and flight formations.
- .3 ____ Briefs night vision device procedures.
- .4 ____ Briefs illumination plan to include flares, infrared search lights, spotlights, etc.
- .5 ____ Briefs ITG and LZ layout.
- .6 ____ Briefs contingencies and emergency procedures both en route and at the LZ.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: This brief is to be conducted by the mission commander or his designee. All key participants attend.

KEY INDICATORS: None.

ENCLOSURE (1)

TASK: 9B.5.6 CONDUCT NIGHT MISSION BRIEFING FOR THE CLANDESTINE RECOVERY

CONDITION(S): If the clandestine recovery mission execution will occur at night or during periods of limited visibility, the following items will be added to the mission brief.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Briefs ambient light conditions.
- .2 ____ Briefs aircraft lighting and flight formations.
- .3 ____ Briefs night vision device procedures.
- .4 ____ Briefs illumination plan to include flares, infrared search lights, spotlights, etc.
- .5 ____ Briefs ITG and LZ Layout.
- .6 ____ Briefs contingencies and emergency procedures both en route and at the LZ.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: None.

KEY INDICATORS: None.

TASK: 9B.5.7 PREPARE FOR CLANDESTINE RECOVERY MISSION

CONDITION(S): The MSPF/GCE has been issued a warning order to conduct a clandestine recovery mission. Planning has been completed, and all elements are prepared for a coordination briefing and final checks.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Conducts detailed brief on the plan to all key individuals to include pilots, combat cargo officer(s), and ATF representatives.
- .2 ____ Acquires specialists whose skills are pertinent to the mission.
- .3 ____ Utilizes a terrain model, sketch, or other training aids when briefing plan.
- .4 ____ Ensures all personnel understand the plan, and are cognizant of their duties and responsibilities.
- .5 ____ Allows opportunity for questions and comments.
- .6 ____ Isolates individuals selected for the recovery force until completion of the mission.
- .7 ____ Issues weapons and special equipment, and conducts maintenance checks, LTI's, and pre-operational checks on required special equipment.
- .8 ____ Rehearses debarkation drills.
- .9 ____ Rehearses actions at the recovery site to include deplaning and enplaning procedures, signals and fire commands as well as withdrawal procedures.
- .10 ____ Sets BZO on all weapons, and calibrates those with night vision sights mounted.
- .11 ____ Ensures all personnel have received training on special equipment, weapons, and ordnance issued.
- .12 ____ Briefs all personnel on rules of engagement.
- .13 ____ Helicopter teams are organized, and staged per the schedule for their delivery into the LZ.
- .14 ____ Conducts final brief for key leaders to include a ZIPPO brief with pilots.

- .15 ____ Conducts a final inspection for all personnel and equipment to ensure prescribed items are available, serviceable, and carried correctly, and all personnel understand all required aspects of the mission.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: None.

KEY INDICATORS: None.

TASK: 9B.5.8 CONDUCT COUNTERINTELLIGENCE OPERATIONS IN SUPPORT OF THE RECOVERY MISSION

CONDITION(S): The MEU is deployed and has received a warning order to conduct a recovery operation. The operation may be conducted at night. Due to the urgency of the situation, planning time is constrained.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Provides OPSEC guidance.
- .2 ____ Provide challenge and password to the MSPF.
- .3 ____ Provides CI specialist to the MSPF/GCE when necessary.
- .4 ____ Assists GCE and ACE Intelligence officers in developing escape and evasion plans.
- .5 ____ Conducts liaison with U.S. Embassy Third Party escape and evasion, when required.
- .6 ____ Provides cover support when required.
- .7 ____ When directed maintain the EPW/MIA data base.
- .8 ____ When directed conduct EPW/MIA investigations.
- .9 ____ When directed conduct debrief of returned EPW/MIA personnel.
- .10 ____ Conducts CI debrief of raid force.
- .11 ____ Assists Command Element Intelligence Officer in rapid response planning, to include R & S planning for R & S operations in support of the recovery operation.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: NONE

KEY INDICATORS: NONE

TASK: 9B.5.9 CONDUCT HELICOPTER MOVEMENT TO INSERTION SITE

CONDITION(S): Elements of the MEU have been tasked to conduct a clandestine recovery mission to extract personnel/sensitive items from a area controlled by hostile forces. The FRAGO has been issued and the troops and equipment have been prepared and staged for loading.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Planned aviation assets are available and mission capable.
- .2 ____ Helicopter teams are ready to board when called away.
- .3 ____ Individual Marines exhibit a clear understanding of safety procedures when boarding helicopters.

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- .4 ____ Helicopter teams are loaded in time to permit the helicopters to make scheduled takeoff times.
- .5 ____ Demonstrates an accurate system for manifesting all Marines Lifted to ensure accountability.
- .6 ____ Employs flight tactics that are based on the enemy situation, provides effective Lookout, maneuverability, effective flight control, and ensures mission accomplishment.
- .7 ____ Formation facilitates support from attack helicopters.
- .8 ____ Formation provides for controllability at night or during marginal weather conditions.
- .9 ____ Formation is capable of executing planned inadvertent instrument meteorological condition IMC procedures.
- .10 ____ Formation is per NWP-55-9 (ASH Manual), and Tactical Manual Pocket Guide.
- .11 ____ Timeline is adhered to.
- .12 ____ Alternate (unconventional) flight control measures are employed during terrain flying operations.
- .13 ____ Executes flight per briefed safety procedures and SOP.
- .14 ____ Executes mission communications plan as briefed, maintaining communications discipline.
- .15 ____ Helicopter coordinator (airborne) (HC(A)) exercises airborne control of helicopters within his area of responsibility.
- .16 ____ Lay out of LZ is as briefed, and allows for safe separation of aircraft.
- .17 ____ Adheres to established rules of engagement.
- .18 ____ On landing, Marines deplane quickly, safely, and disperse as helicopters Lift out of the zone.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: None.

KEY INDICATORS: None.

TASK: 9B.5.10 CONDUCT NIGHT HELICOPTER MOVEMENT TO THE INSERTION SITE

CONDITION(S): If this mission is to be conducted at night or during periods of limited visibility, add the following requirements.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Ambient light conditions are adequate to allow for the employment of NVG's or IR spotlight is utilized.
- .2 ____ Aircraft Lighting and flight formation is as briefed.
- .3 ____ Planned illumination is responsive and effective.
- .4 ____ ITG allows aircraft to land as planned in a safe and timely manner.
- .5 ____ LZ lighting is visible, tactical, and allows for aircraft to land and takeoff safely and quickly.
- .6 ____ Contingency requirements and emergencies are handled according to plans, and SOP procedures are tactically sound.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: None.

KEY INDICATORS: None.

TASK: 9B.5.11 CONDUCT APPROACH TO THE RECOVERY OBJECTIVE AREA

CONDITION(S): The MSPF/GCE has been inserted to conduct an clandestine recovery mission and is in route to the objective area.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Moves once oriented, to complete assigned mission.
- .2 ____ Uses NAVAIDS to protect against disorientation, especially at night.
- .3 ____ Employs covering element to neutralize and contain enemy opposition.
- .4 ____ Strike element does not wait or delay for security element.
- .5 ____ Avoids indigenous personnel unless specifically required by the assigned mission.
- .6 ____ Moves to the objective area utilizing periods of reduced visibility and speed.
- .7 ____ Considers terrain and weather to allocate sufficient movement time to objective.
- .8 ____ Possesses the capability of coordinating fire support plan in the event contingencies arise.
- .9 ____ Possesses appropriate antiair warfare assets.
- .10 ____ Adheres to communications discipline.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: None.

KEY INDICATORS: None.

TASK: 9B.5.12 CONDUCT LINK UP WITH ON-SCENE ASSETS

CONDITION(S): Within the time constraints and depending on the tactical situation, elements of the MSPF/GCE conduct a link up with on-scene assets for final coordination.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Confirm sniper team locations between on-scene commander and commander/element Leaders of MSPF.
- .2 ____ Confirm sniper supportability, routes to the last covered and concealed, and avenues of approach to the breach point with on-scene commander and commander/element leaders of MSPF.
- .3 ____ Conduct tactical update on objective.
- .4 ____ Coordinate sniper priority of fires based upon target information and patterns of activity.
- .5 ____ Determine routes to the breach point, to include alternate and tertiary.
- .6 ____ Coordinate the finalized assault plan with the reconnaissance and surveillance teams.
- .7 ____ Establish command and control to coordinate sniper employment.

- .8 ____ Notify sniper teams when strike element leaves the last covered and concealed position.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: None.

KEY INDICATORS: None.

TASK: 9B.5.13 CONDUCT THE CLANDESTINE RECOVERY

CONDITION(S): The MSPF/GCE has arrived at the objective area and elements of the MSPF/GCE are in place to complete the recovery operation.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Attacks the objective in a sudden, violent coordinated action using close quarters battle techniques.
- .2 ____ Conducts containment and isolation of the objective area by the security element.
- .3 ____ Elements and key individuals accomplish their assigned mission/tasks as rehearsed with minimum delay and while maintaining fire discipline.
- .4 ____ Directs and controls fire support, as required.
- .5 ____ Accomplishes assigned mission of recovering personnel/sensitive items.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: None.

KEY INDICATORS: None.

TASK: 9B.5.14 CONSOLIDATE THE RECOVERY OBJECTIVE

CONDITION(S): The MSPF/GCE has recovered personnel/sensitive items from the objective area.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Consolidate strike element to the marshaling area within the objective.
- .2 ____ Maintain positive control over all unknowns.
- .3 ____ Conducts emergency medical triage, as required.
- .4 ____ Maintains security on previously cleared areas.
- .5 ____ Accounts for all personnel.
- .6 ____ Provides required report to higher headquarters.
- .7 ____ Prepares unknowns for movement.
- .8 ____ Provides litter teams and escorts, as required.

ENCLOSURE (1)

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: None.

KEY INDICATORS: None.

TASK: 9B.5.15 CONDUCT WITHDRAWAL OF THE RECOVERY FORCE

CONDITION(S): The recovery force is withdrawing from the site. Enemy forces are in the area; however, no contact has been made.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Briefs all members of the recovery force on withdrawal plan.
- .2 ____ Ensures the plan allows for a shrinking perimeter, on-call fire support, and a covered site for waiting helicopter team(s).
- .3 ____ Maintains continuous communications throughout the entire withdrawal phase.
- .4 ____ Withdraws from the site in an expeditious, orderly, and tactically sound maneuver according to the sequence planned.
- .5 ____ Confirms accountability for all personnel and equipment.
- .6 ____ Reports withdrawal of the last helicopter team to higher headquarters.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: None.

KEY INDICATORS: None.

TASK: 9B.5.16 DEBRIEF THE CLANDESTINE RECOVERY OPERATION

CONDITION(S): The recovery force has re-embarked aboard ATF vessels. The recovered personnel/sensitive items are re-embarked.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Mission commander assembles personnel for debriefing.
- .2 ____ Interrogates and debriefs recovery force immediately upon re-embarkation by an intelligence officer or members of the planning staff.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: None.

KEY INDICATORS: None.

9B.6 TACTICAL RECOVERY OF AIRCRAFT AND/OR PERSONNEL
OPERATIONS

TASK: 9B.6.1 PLAN FOR TRAP OPERATION

CONDITION(S): The MEU has issued a warning order to the GCE to conduct a tactical recovery of aircraft and/or personnel (TRAP) operation for a downed aircraft. Aircrew members and embarked Marines are with the aircraft which was forced to abort a combat mission, and Land, due to mechanical problems. There are no orbiting aircraft, as the remainder of the flight proceeded with the assigned mission. The aircraft is located in an area sympathetic to hostile forces. No known military forces are operating in the area; however, local inhabitants are armed. The aircraft is located on Land and is capable of being repaired. Intermittent communications with the aircrew reveals no casualties and they have identified a problem that requires spare parts. Due to the urgency of the situation, planning time is constrained.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Acknowledges receipt of the warning order and initiates detailed planning.
- .2 ____ Issues a warning order to subordinate units expected to be involved in the TRAP mission with an info copy to higher headquarters.
- .3 ____ Analyzes the mission to develop specific tasks.
- .4 ____ Gathers all available intelligence/combat information concerning the situation.
- .5 ____ Establishes coordination with the ATF and requests liaison be established with any outside agencies required to coordinate the operation (e.g., theater commands, Fleet Intelligence Center, etc.).
- .6 ____ Uses standardized procedures contained in SOP's to develop the plan, and requests CVBG covering support, if required.
- .7 ____ Issues commander's guidance.
- .8 ____ Ensures measures are taken to provide immediate surveillance and/or security of the aircraft.
- .9 ____ Considers embark plan and cross-decking requirements in the development of the plan.
- .10 ____ Plans the dedication of adequate numbers of assets to get to and from the target area in one Lift; considers backup requirements as well.
- .11 ____ Establishes criteria for GO/NO GO situations including threat matrix and weather.
- .12 ____ Identifies the TRAP site element.
- .13 ____ Identifies crisis site element and LF assault/strike element.
- .14 ____ Identifies any linguistic/ITT support required.
- .15 ____ Produces a FRAGO.
- .16 ____ Develops a medical evacuation plan for each phase of the operation.
- .17 ____ Develops an emergency TRAP force evacuation contingency plan which includes guidance as to the authority to destroy the aircraft and secure voice equipment, if required.
- .18 ____ Plans public affairs guidance and activities, and guidelines to determine if, or when, details of the operation will be released.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: Estimates of supportability and FRAGO can be either oral or written.

KEY INDICATORS:

WARNING ORDER

The warning order should, at a minimum, contain the following items: general information on the situation; mission; schedule of events; anticipated TRAP time; time and place for briefing; and any special instructions known.

TASK: 9B.6.2 TASK ORGANIZATION THE TRAP FORCE

CONDITION(S): The GCE has been issued a warning order to conduct a TRAP operation for a downed aircraft. Due to the urgency of the situation, planning time is constrained.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Considers special skills required (EOD, avionics, metalsmiths, medical, etc.), and equipment of all units available to the ATF, and time permitting, theater and national assets.
- .2 ____ Uses notional organization developed during contingency planning to guide overall plan.
- .3 ____ Develops task organization along unit lines (i.e., company, platoon), and tailors size according to mission requirements, skill level, and available intelligence.
- .4 ____ Develops task organization along functional lines; i.e., command element, reconnaissance/security element, assault/strike element, and if planned, a reserve.
- .5 ____ Employs a recon/security element to screen/observe and/or provide ITG support of the Landing beach or LZ, and provide security during execution of the TRAP and for the evacuation and withdrawal.
- .6 ____ Plans a reserve force to be either landed or retained afloat should assistance be required.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: None.

KEY INDICATORS: None.

TASK: 9B.6.3 CONDUCT TRAP AVIATION NIGHT MISSION PLANNING

CONDITION(S): If the TRAP is to be conducted at night or during periods of limited visibility, the following items will be added to the planning.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Calculates ambient illumination, and plans for additional illumination if required.
- .2 ____ Plans aircraft lighting and flight formations to be employed.
- .3 ____ Allocates NVG's to support the TRAP, and establishes priorities for issue and testing.
- .4 ____ Plans ITG landing area procedures, and initial orientation for debarked troops.
- .5 ____ Schedules training/rehearsal during darkness, if time permits.
- .6 ____ Plans contingencies and emergency procedures.

ENCLOSURE (1)

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: None.

KEY INDICATORS: None.

TASK: 9B.6.4 PLAN FOR INTEGRATION OF LOW ALTITUDE AIR DEFENSE (LAAD)

CONDITION(S): A warning order has been issued to conduct a TRAP mission for a downed aircraft. The LAAD element has been tasked by the ACE to provide short-range ground-to-air missile defense at the TRAP site. The ATF has established a FAAWC that is responsible for overall air defense. By utilizing shipboard radars, the FAAWC/SAAWC is able to provide early warning information.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Coordinates with the supported unit to ensure the zones of fire complement the ground scheme of maneuver and cover likely avenues of enemy approach.
- .2 ____ Recommends adequate number of teams to provide short range air defense based on the zone of action and the anticipated threat.
- .3 ____ Inputs communications needs for LAAD Weapons Control, and LAAD Team Control nets.
- .4 ____ Plans to provide early warning information from the FAAWC/SAAWC to deployed LAAD team(s) through their element.
- .5 ____ Establishes communications between the LAAD element and the ATF FAAWC/SAAWC.
- .6 ____ Briefs LAAD team(s) on alternate means of communications and lost communications procedures.
- .7 ____ Ensures communications operators are aware of EMCON and ECCM procedures.
- .8 ____ Ensures LAAD rules of engagement, air warning conditions, weapons conditions, sources of antiaircraft intelligence are per the FRAGO.
- .9 ____ Briefs deploying LAAD teams on the friendly and enemy air order of battle and on visual recognition of the specific types of aircraft, they might encounter.
- .10 ____ Coordinates with the ACE to identify ingress and egress routes of friendly aircraft and provides that information to LAAD teams.
- .11 ____ Plans to relay LAAD team visual reports and status information to the FAAWC/SAAWC through the LAAD element.
- .12 ____ Ensures LAAD teams are familiar with search and scan procedures.
- .13 ____ Coordinates with the TRAP element to ensure the required Load of missiles is carried, identifies any augmentation to carry the required combat load, and the means of resupply.
- .14 ____ Conducts communication checks on equipment, to include secure voice devices, prior to deployment.
- .15 ____ Conducts a final inspection of personnel, schedules, equipment, and missiles prior to deployment.

ENCLOSURE (1)

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: None.

KEY INDICATORS:

EARLY WARNING

Success of LAAD employment is highly dependent on receiving early warning information, and properly emplaced command and control. Though the system is designed to be flexible, the LAAD element must be Located in a position to provide both of the above. As the ATF will establish a FAAWC, it is imperative that LAAD be tied into that network to ensure total integration of air defense assets. If radar generated early warning is available, but not utilized; if communications down to the section leader(s), and subsequently the teams, are not continuously available; LAAD assets will not be utilized to best advantage. Only through proper integration of air defense assets will coverage for the Marines on the ground be optimized.

TASK: 9B.6.5 CONDUCT BRIEFING FOR AVIATION TRAP MISSION

CONDITION(S): All elements of aviation planning have been completed and an add on assignment has been made for a TRAP mission. Due to the urgency of the situation, briefing time is constrained.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Brief is conducted per SOP and uses format contained in NWP 55.9 (ASH pocket guide).
- .2 ____ Briefs ground scheme of maneuver, and all forces and weapons involved.
- .3 ____ Briefs fire support integration plan, assets available, and control measures.
- .4 ____ Utilizes maps, aerial photos, sketches, or other training aids when briefing the overall mission.
- .5 ____ Clearly states mission priorities.
- .6 ____ Establishes the chain of responsibility to include AMC, TAC(A), ASC(A), DASC(A), HDC, TFL, EFL, and alternate flight leaders.
- .7 ____ Briefs Bump plan.
- .8 ____ Briefs current weather, and criteria for helo and fixed wing GO/NO GO.
- .9 ____ Briefs prelaunch times/frequencies and takeoff times.
- .10 ____ Briefs ingress/egress primary and alternate routes, phaselines, check points, timing, airspeed/altitude, formations, and en route communications.
- .11 ____ Briefs minimum number aircraft required to continue the mission (GO/NO GO).
- .12 ____ Briefs rules of engagement/weapons conditions.
- .13 ____ Establishes authority to change routes and LZ's.
- .14 ____ Designates grid locations of primary and alternate LZ's; briefs LZ to include Landing and takeoff directions/instructions.
- .15 ____ Reviews evasive maneuvers.
- .16 ____ Briefs all control points.
- .17 ____ Briefs downed aircraft procedures over land or sea, to include escape and evasion considerations.
- .18 ____ Briefs minimum/bingo fuel.
- .19 ____ Briefs chattermark procedures and MIJI reporting.

- .20 ____ Briefs lost visual contact/inadvertent IMC.
- .21 ____ Briefs flight emergencies to include procedures in the event a crewman becomes a casualty.
- .22 ____ Briefs normal and emergency NATOPS/safety procedures for ordnance, HST, and aircrew.
- .23 ____ Establishes observation/lookout responsibilities and procedures.
- .24 ____ Establishes time and place of debrief.
- .25 ____ Provides EEI's.
- .26 ____ Lists mission essential equipment.
- .27 ____ Briefs communications plan to include NORDO procedures, code words, frequencies, EMCON procedures, aircraft, and ground signals, etc.
- .28 ____ Gives time hack.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: The in-flight coordination required should be accomplished utilizing secure voice, pre-briefed techniques, code words, or other measures that reduce unnecessary communications. This brief is to be conducted by the mission commander. All participants should attend.

KEY INDICATORS: None.

TASK: 9B.6.6 CONDUCT BRIEFING FOR AVIATION NIGHT TRAP MISSION

CONDITION(S): The TRAP plan has been completed and execution of the mission will occur at night or during periods of limited visibility. The following items must be added to the briefing.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Briefs ambient light conditions.
- .2 ____ Establishes aircraft lighting and flight formations.
- .3 ____ Briefs night vision device procedures.
- .4 ____ Briefs illumination plan to include flares, infrared search lights, spotlights, etc.
- .5 ____ Briefs ITG and LZ layout.
- .6 ____ Briefs contingencies and emergency procedures both en route and at the LZ.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: This brief is to be conducted by the mission commander or his designee. All key participants attend.

KEY INDICATORS: None.

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TASK: 9B.6.7 PREPARE FOR TRAP MISSION

CONDITION(S): The GCE has been issued a warning order to conduct a TRAP for a downed aircraft. Planning has been completed, and all elements are prepared for a coordination briefing and final checks.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Conducts detailed brief on the plan to all key individuals to include pilots, combat cargo officer(s), and ATF representatives.
- .2 ____ Acquires specialists whose skills are pertinent to the mission.
- .3 ____ Utilizes a terrain model, sketch, or other training aids when briefing plan.
- .4 ____ Ensures all personnel understand the plan, and are cognizant of their duties and responsibilities.
- .5 ____ Allows opportunity for questions and comments.
- .6 ____ Isolates individuals selected for the TRAP force until completion of the mission.
- .7 ____ Issues weapons and special equipment, and conducts maintenance checks, LTI's, and pre-operational checks on required special equipment.
- .8 ____ Rehearses debarkation drills.
- .9 ____ Rehearses actions at the TRAP site to include deplaning and enplaning procedures, signals and fire commands as well as withdrawal procedures.
- .10 ____ Sets BZO on all weapons, and calibrates those with night vision sights mounted.
- .11 ____ Ensures all personnel have received training on special equipment, weapons, and ordnance issued.
- .12 ____ Briefs all personnel on rules of engagement.
- .13 ____ Helicopter teams are organized, and staged per the schedule for their delivery into the LZ.
- .14 ____ Conducts final brief for key leaders to include a ZIPPO brief with pilots.
- .15 ____ Conducts a final inspection for all personnel and equipment to ensure prescribed items are available, serviceable, and carried correctly, and all personnel understand all required aspects of the mission.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: None.

KEY INDICATORS: None.

TASK: 9B.6.8 CONDUCT COUNTERINTELLIGENCE OPERATIONS IN SUPPORT OF THE TRAP MISSION

CONDITION(S): The MEU is deployed and has received a warning order to conduct a TRAP mission. The operation may be conducted at night. Due to the urgency of the situation, planning time is constrained.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Provides OPSEC guidance.
- .2 ____ Provide challenge and password to the GCE.
- .3 ____ Provides CI specialist to the GCE when necessary.
- .4 ____ Assists GCE and ACE Intelligence officers in developing escape and evasion plans.

- .5 ____ Conducts liaison with U.S. Embassy Third Party escape and evasion, when required.
- .6 ____ Provides cover support when required.
- .7 ____ When directed maintain the EPW/MIA data base.
- .8 ____ When directed conduct EPW/MIA investigations.
- .9 ____ When directed conduct debrief of returned EPW/MIA personnel.
- .10 ____ Conducts CI debrief of TRAP force.
- .11 ____ Assists Command Element Intelligence Officer in rapid response planning, to include R & S planning for R & S operations in support of the TRAP.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: NONE

KEY INDICATORS: NONE

TASK: 9B.6.9 CONDUCT HELICOPTERBORNE MOVEMENT TO THE TRAP SITE

CONDITION(S): Elements of the MEU have been tasked to conduct a TRAP mission for a downed aircraft. The FRAGO has been issued and the troops and equipment have been prepared and staged for loading.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Planned aviation assets are available and mission capable.
- .2 ____ Helicopter teams are ready to board when called away.
- .3 ____ Individual Marines exhibit a clear understanding of safety procedures when boarding helicopters.
- .4 ____ Helicopter teams are loaded in time to permit the helicopters to make scheduled takeoff times.
- .5 ____ Demonstrates an accurate system for manifesting all Marines lifted to ensure accountability.
- .6 ____ Employs flight tactics that are based on the enemy situation, provides effective lookout, maneuverability, effective flight control, and ensures mission accomplishment.
- .7 ____ Formation facilitates support from attack helicopters.
- .8 ____ Formation provides for controllability at night or during marginal weather conditions.
- .9 ____ Formation is capable of executing planned inadvertent instrument meteorological condition IMC procedures.
- .10 ____ Formation is per NWP-55-9 (ASH Manual), and Tactical Manual Pocket Guide.
- .11 ____ Timeline is adhered to.
- .12 ____ Alternate (unconventional) flight control measures are employed during terrain flying operations.
- .13 ____ Executes flight per briefed safety procedures and SOP.
- .14 ____ Executes mission communications plan as briefed, maintaining communications discipline.
- .15 ____ Helicopter coordinator (airborne) (HC(A)) exercises airborne control of helicopters within his area of responsibility.
- .16 ____ Lay out of LZ is as briefed, and allows for safe separation of aircraft.
- .17 ____ Adheres to established rules of engagement.

- .18 ____ On landing, Marines deplane quickly, safely, and disperse as helicopters lift out of the zone.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: None.

KEY INDICATORS: None.

TASK: 9B.6.10 CONDUCT NIGHT HELICOPTERBORNE MOVEMENT TO THE TRAP SITE

CONDITION(S): If this mission is to be conducted at night or during periods of limited visibility, add the following requirements.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Ambient Light conditions are adequate to allow for the employment of NVG's or IR spotlight is utilized.
- .2 ____ Aircraft lighting and flight formation is as briefed.
- .3 ____ Planned illumination is responsive and effective.
- .4 ____ ITG allows aircraft to land as planned in a safe and timely manner.
- .5 ____ LZ lighting is visible, tactical, and allows for aircraft to land and takeoff safely and quickly.
- .6 ____ Contingency requirements and emergencies are handled according to plans, and SOP procedures are tactically sound.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: None.

KEY INDICATORS: None.

TASK: 9B.6.11 ESTABLISH TRAP SITE SECURITY

CONDITION(S): The GCE has launched a TRAP force to recover a downed aircraft. The TRAP force has landed by helicopter.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Ground element immediately begins expanding LZ security.
- .2 ____ Forward observers and forward air controllers are included.
- .3 ____ ATC/HST representatives initiate LZ control.
- .4 ____ Ground communications are established, and initial SITREP is sent.
- .5 ____ Machineguns are positioned to deliver flanking, grazing, and interlocking fire from mutually supporting positions.
- .6 ____ Individual front-line Marines are assigned defensive positions and sectors of fire. Automatic riflemen are assigned a principle direction of fire within their sector.
- .7 ____ Crew-served weapon squads prepare range cards to permit accurate all weather engagement of targets.
- .8 ____ Indirect fire weapons are displaced to the rear to ensure continuous support.

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- .9 ____ Emplaces antitank weapons to engage enemy armor/mechanized forces attacking on avenues of approach.
- .10 ____ Details fire control procedures to front-line elements.
- .11 ____ Installs wire communications for use within the security perimeter.
- .12 ____ Initiates local security measures.
- .13 ____ Establishes and maintains continuous Liaison with members of the aircraft maintenance team.
- .14 ____ Situation reports are submitted to higher headquarters per the prearranged schedule.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: None.

KEY INDICATORS: None.

TASK: 9B.6.12 CONDUCT WITHDRAWAL OF THE TRAP FORCE

CONDITION(S): The TRAP force is withdrawing from the site. Enemy forces are in the area; however, no contact has been made.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Briefs all members of the TRAP force on withdrawal plan.
- .2 ____ Ensures the plan allows for a shrinking perimeter, on-call fire support, and a covered site for waiting helicopter team(s).
- .3 ____ Maintains continuous communications throughout the entire withdrawal phase.
- .4 ____ Withdraws from the site in an expeditious, orderly, and tactically sound maneuver according to the sequence planned.
- .5 ____ Confirms accountability for all personnel and equipment.
- .6 ____ Reports withdrawal of the last helicopter team to higher headquarters.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: None.

KEY INDICATORS: None.

TASK: 9B.6.13 DEBRIEF THE TRAP OPERATION

CONDITION(S): The TRAP force has re-embarked aboard ATF vessels. The downed aircraft was successfully repaired and flown out.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Mission commander assembles personnel for debriefing.
- .2 ____ Interrogates and debriefs TRAP force immediately upon re-embarkation by an intelligence officer or members of the planning staff.

ENCLOSURE (1)

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: None.

KEY INDICATORS: None.

9B.7 IN-EXTREMIS HOSTAGE RECOVERY OPERATIONS

TASK: 9B.7.1 CONDUCT EMERGENCY ASSAULT PLANNING FOR AN IN
EXTREMIS HOSTAGE RECOVERY (IHR)

CONDITION(S): Embarked MEU is in receipt of a warning order to prepare to participate in the recovery of hostages in extremis. The exigencies of the situation dictate the introduction of MEU elements to support the recovery effort. The emergency assault plan must be developed so that execution of the operation may commence within six hours of receipt of the warning order. This execution may range from something as simple as the insertion of reconnaissance and surveillance assets in support of the mission to the actual launch of the assault force. The target area allows for insertion by surface, air, or both.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Acknowledges receipt of the warning order to higher headquarters.
- .2 ____ Reviews existing contingency plans.
- .3 ____ Gathers available intelligence/combat information.
- .4 ____ Issues a warning order to subordinate units expected to be involved in the operation with an information copy to higher headquarters.
- .5 ____ Reviews essential elements of friendly information.
- .6 ____ Analyzes the mission order to develop specific tasks.
- .7 ____ Issues commander's intent and guidance.
- .8 ____ Uses standardized procedures contained in SOP's to develop the plan.
- .9 ____ Plans dedication of adequate numbers of assets to get to and from the target area in one lift, and considers backup requirements.
- .10 ____ Establishes criteria for go/no go situation including threat matrix and weather.
- .11 ____ Conducts rehearsal within the constraints of the time and environment.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: Estimates of supportability can be either verbal or written.

KEY INDICATORS:

WARNING ORDER

Warning order should, at a minimum, contain the following information: mission, time schedule to include rehearsal and inspections, mission time, time and place of briefing, and uniform and equipment.

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TASK: 9B.7.2 CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE PLANNING
FOR IHR

CONDITION(S): The Reconnaissance and Surveillance Element of the MEU receives a warning order to conduct an R & S mission in support of an IHR operation. Available planning time is constrained.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Acknowledges receipt of the warning order and initiates detailed planning.
- .2 ____ Alerts R&S element personnel.
- .3 ____ Conducts an analysis of the MEU's mission in respect to HETT-T,S,L and available information.
- .4 ____ Assists in developing intelligence/information requirements on the vulnerability of enemy forces to reconnaissance and surveillance and the capability of the enemy forces to conduct counter-reconnaissance/surveillance against friendly forces in coordination with the S-2.
- .5 ____ Receives commander's initial planning guidance.
- .6 ____ Examines the MEU's proposed courses of action.
- .7 ____ Prepares an estimate of supportability.
- .8 ____ Makes recommendations on tactical employment of the R&S element.
- .9 ____ Develops R&S support plan based upon the commander's guidance and approved courses of action.
- .10 ____ Plans for the integration of SIGINT, ground EW, and COMSEC monitoring and analysis during all phases of R&S operations.
- .11 ____ Determines the requirement to employ the radio reconnaissance team.
- .12 ____ Determines the requirement to employ the HUMINT exploitation team.
- .13 ____ Prepares the Reconnaissance and integration Appendix to the Intelligence Annex to the Operations Annex in coordination with the S-2, S-3, and S-6 for inclusion in the MEU's operations order.
- .14 ____ Coordinates with CATF CEO/cryptologic elements for communication, SI communications, SIGINT/EW support.
- .15 ____ Coordinates with CATF cryptologic elements and the S-2 to request theater and/or national SIGINT/EW and HUMINT support, as required.
- .16 ____ Coordinates the incorporation of the MEU commander's EEI's and OIR's, and SIGINT support requirements into the CATF's collection plan.
- .17 ____ Coordinates with CATF elements to ensure LF information objectives are supported during the operation.
- .18 ____ Conducts an R&S conformation brief for the IHR.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: None.

KEY INDICATORS: None.

TASK: 9B.7.3 TASK ORGANIZE THE MSPF FOR IHR

CONDITION(S): The MEU is in receipt of a warning order to conduct an IHR. Available planning time is constrained.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Organizes according to assigned mission, available intelligence, and skills required.
- .2 ____ Considers special skills and equipment of all units available to the amphibious task force, and time permitting, theater augmentation.
- .3 ____ Tailors the organization to facilitate decentralized control.
- .4 ____ Ensures the embarked radio reconnaissance detachment is organized, and employed to allow for the immediate intercept of enemy transmission.
- .5 ____ Employs reconnaissance and surveillance elements to continuously observe/screen, and if required, provide ITG support for the Landing zones/drop zones.
- .6 ____ Augments screening/security forces with counterintelligence teams (CIT) and ITT to interrogate civilians cleared from the target area.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: None.

KEY INDICATORS: Include the R&S element, security element, assault element, support element, command element, covering element, aviation element and the MEU command cell.

TASK: 9B.7.4 CONDUCT PLANNING FOR FOLLOW-ON FORCES

CONDITION(S): The MEU is conducting rapid planning for an IHR and follow-on forces are enroute.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Exchange liaison officers.
- .2 ____ Plan for communications link.
- .3 ____ Prepare to brief emergency assault plan.
- .4 ____ Brief reconnaissance and surveillance communications plan.
- .5 ____ Brief movement plan.
- .6 ____ Brief logistics support available.
- .7 ____ Brief support forces available.
- .8 ____ Provide intelligence update.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: None.

KEY INDICATORS: None.

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TASK: 9B.7.5 CONDUCT DELIBERATE ASSAULT PLANNING FOR IHR

CONDITION(S): The MEU has developed the IHR emergency assault plan, follow-on forces are not on scene, and all-source intelligence is available/incoming. The MEU will develop a deliberate assault plan for IHR. Available planning time is constrained.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Continue to incorporate intelligence into the plan.
- .2 ____ Conduct element/sub-element planning.
- .3 ____ Conduct element/sub-element organization.
- .4 ____ Conduct breaching plan to include; primary, alternate, and interior breach points; and primary, secondary, and tertiary methods.
- .5 ____ Conduct insert planning, to include, all available assets, routes, go/no/go criteria, Lump plan, contingency plan and load plan.
- .6 ____ Conduct movement to the objective planning, to include primary and alternate routes, fire support plan, formations, immediate action plans, and order of movement.
- .7 ____ Conduct linkup planning to include, long and short range recognition signals, primary and alternate sites, time and procedures for communications, actions at linkup site.
- .8 ____ Conduct actions at the objective, to include fire support plan, planning for the security element, support element, and assault element.
- .9 ____ Conduct withdrawal planning, to include, primary and alternate routes, fire support plan, formations, immediate action plans, and order of movement.
- .10 ____ Conduct marshaling planning, to include, route to marshaling point, location of marshaling points, medical triage, personnel accountability, and local security.
- .11 ____ Conduct extract planning, to include, all available assets, airborne medical triage plan, routes, go/no go criteria, bump plan, contingency plan, and load plan.
- .12 ____ Conduct to debrief planning, to include, turnover plan, and isolation areas.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: None.

KEY INDICATORS: None.

TASK: 9B.7.6 PREPARE FOR IHR MISSION

CONDITION(S): The MSPF has been issued a warning order to conduct an IHR mission.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Conducts detailed brief on plan to all key individuals to include pilots, coxswains, and combat cargo officer(s).
- .2 ____ Utilizes a terrain model, floor plan, sketch, or other training aids when briefing plan.
- .3 ____ Ensures all personnet understand the plan, and are cognizant of their duties and responsibilities.
- .4 ____ Allows opportunity for questions and comments.
- .5 ____ Isolates individuals selected for the MSPF until completion of the mission.

- .6 ____ Issues weapons, special demolitions, and equipment, and conducts maintenance checks, LTI's, and operational checks on all required equipment.
- .7 ____ Commences unit and individual training drills.
- .8 ____ Schedules an overall rehearsal during night time conditions if time permits.
- .9 ____ Conducts back-brief of all sub-elements.
- .10 ____ Rehearses debarkation drills.
- .11 ____ Rehearses movement from ship-to-shore.
- .12 ____ Rehearses movement to the objective.
- .13 ____ Rehearses movement, actions at the objective, and withdrawal.
- .14 ____ Test fires all weapons and firing devices used for breaching.
- .15 ____ Ensures all personnel have received training on special equipment, weapons, or ordnance issued.
- .16 ____ Reviews the rules of engagement with all personnel.
- .17 ____ Reviews the escape and evasion plan with all personnel.
- .18 ____ Conducts final brief for key leaders to include a ZIPPO Brief with pilots.
- .19 ____ Conducts final inspection for all personnel and equipment to ensure prescribed items are available, serviceable and carried correctly, and all personnel understand all required aspects of the mission.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: None.

KEY INDICATORS:

UNIT TRAINING

Integrated training with specialists, naval units, and supporting forces commences as early as possible.

INDIVIDUAL TRAINING

May include: Amphibious training; swimming; helicopter operations; first aid; hand-to-hand combat; land navigation; escape and evasion; and survival training.

TASK: 9B.7.7 CONDUCT COUNTERINTELLIGENCE OPERATIONS IN SUPPORT OF IHR

CONDITION(S): The MEU is deployed and has received a warning order to conduct an in-extremis hostage recovery. Due to the urgency of the situation, planning time is constrained.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Provides challenge and passwords.
- .2 ____ Attaches CI specialist to the MSPF Strike Element when necessary.
- .3 ____ Provides OPSEC guidance.
- .4 ____ Assists Command Element Intelligence Officer in rapid response planning, to include R & S planning for R & S operations in support of the IHR.

- .5 ____ Ensures Isolated Personnel Report (ISOPREP) cards are up-to-date and readily accessible for all appropriate personnel.
- .6 ____ Arranges raid force isolation.
- .7 ____ Provide counterterrorist instruction.
- .8 ____ Conducts on-scene document and material exploitation when directed.
- .9 ____ Conducts initial hostage/terrorist debriefs.
- .10 ____ Provides assistance in training the MSPF urban surveillance and counter-surveillance.
- .11 ____ Conducts Liaison with National Agencies on hostage recovery and HUMINT operations.
- .12 ____ Conducts in-depth hostage/terrorist debriefs.
- .13 ____ Assists command Element Assistant Intelligence Officer in formulation of escape and evasion plans.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: NONE

KEY INDICATORS: NONE

TASK: 9B.7.8 CONDUCT TURNOVER WITH FOLLOW-ON FORCES

CONDITION(S): The MEU has been planning for the IHR mission and follow-on forces have arrived on scene. Follow-on forces have the personnel and equipment to assume the mission.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Confirm primary and alternate breach points, target intelligence, and obstacles.
- .2 ____ Confirm primary and alternate routes and avenues of approach, obstacles, and terrain features.
- .3 ____ Confirm location of power, lighting, and communications.
- .4 ____ Confirm pattern of activity and security on objective and location of vehicles.
- .5 ____ Confirm location of explosives and fuel Located on the objective.
- .6 ____ Confirm location of hostage(s) and terrorist(s) on the objective.
- .7 ____ Confirm location of reconnaissance and surveillance elements, to include, sniper teams, radio reconnaissance teams, and other on-scene assets.
- .8 ____ Conduct sniper coordination, to include, location, fields of fire, priority of fire, and contingency for open air active compromise.
- .9 ____ Confirm extract plan, to include, primary and alternate sites, method and assets available, link up plan, and communications plan.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: None.

KEY INDICATORS: None.

TASK: 9B.7.9 CONDUCT DEBARKATION OF MSPF FOR IHR

CONDITION(S): MSPF debarks from ship by either helicopter or surface means during periods of limited visibility.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Chooses type(s) of transportation which satisfies lift requirements and rapid buildup, and offers the Least probability of detection.
- .2 ____ Ensures all troops are qualified for type of insertion means chosen.
- .3 ____ Conditions troops to night vision below deck.
- .4 ____ Man debarkation stations according to SOP.
- .5 ____ Conducts final inspection of equipment and troops at debarkations stations under blackout conditions.
- .6 ____ Crosses LOD on schedule.
- .7 ____ Uses landing site(s) that support scheme of maneuver and allows for quick orientation.
- .8 ____ Uses initial ITG procedures effectively.
- .9 ____ Uses supporting fires in the event the MSPF is compromised.
- .10 ____ Demonstrates communications discipline and flexibility.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: None.

KEY INDICATORS:

LANDING SITES

Beach Selection. All possible beaches are examined to find a beach which allows for a surprise approach from the sea and a landing in calm water. The latter is desirable although it usually increases the difficulty of effecting surprise. Sheltered waters are usually enclosed in a bay or in the lee of islands so that boats run a risk of being spotted as they approach and intercepted as they return. They may also be protected by minefields. Normally, landing places are avoided which cannot be approached from several different directions. Other factors considered in beach selection include:

- 1. Conformable with the scheme of maneuver.
- 2. Probability of gaining surprise.
- 3. Enemy dispositions.
- 4. Distance to target.
- 5. Sea approaches, beach characteristics, and beach exits.
- 6. Equipment to be moved over the beach.
- 7. Availability of cover and concealment.

Landing Zones. The choice of an inland LZ is usually based on a compromise between ease of landing and security. Available LZ's should be sufficiently large to accommodate major elements of the raid group at a single touchdown. They should be relatively close to the target, offer several good routes to and from the target, and facilitate the organization of perimeter defense by reconnaissance security elements of the MSPF.

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TASK: 9B.7.10 CONDUCT APPROACH TO IHR OBJECTIVE AREA

CONDITION(S): The MSPF has been Landed to conduct an IHR.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Moves, once oriented, to complete assigned mission.
- .2 ____ Uses NAVAIDS to protect against disorientation, especially at night.
- .3 ____ Employs covering element to neutralize and contain enemy opposition.
- .4 ____ Strike element does not wait or delay for security element.
- .5 ____ Avoids indigenous personnel unless specifically required by the assigned mission.
- .6 ____ Moves to the objective area utilizing periods of reduced visibility and speed.
- .7 ____ Considers terrain and weather to allocate sufficient movement time to objective.
- .8 ____ Possesses the capability of coordinating fire support plan in the event contingencies arise.
- .9 ____ Possesses appropriate antiair warfare assets.
- .10 ____ Adheres to communications discipline.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: None.

KEY INDICATORS: None.

TASK: 9B.7.11 CONDUCT LINK UP WITH ON-SCENE ASSETS

CONDITION(S): Within the time constraints and depending on the tactical situation, elements of the MSPF conduct a link up with on-scene assets for final coordination.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Confirm sniper team locations between on-scene commander and commander/element Leaders of MSPF.
- .2 ____ Confirm sniper supportability, routes to the last covered and concealed, and avenues of approach to the breach point with on-scene commander and commander/element leaders of MSPF.
- .3 ____ Conduct tactical update on objective.
- .4 ____ Coordinate sniper priority of fires based upon target information and patterns of activity.
- .5 ____ Determine routes to the breach point, to include alternate and tertiary.
- .6 ____ Coordinate the finalized assault plan with the reconnaissance and surveillance teams.
- .7 ____ Establish command and control to coordinate sniper employment.
- .8 ____ Notify sniper teams when strike element leaves the last covered and concealed position.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: None.

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KEY INDICATORS: None.

TASK: 9B.7.12 CONDUCT THE INR MISSION

CONDITION(S): The MSPF has received compromise authority and elements of the MSPF are in place.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Attacks the objective in a sudden, violent coordinated action using close quarters battle techniques.
- .2 ____ Conducts containment and isolation of the objective area by the security element.
- .3 ____ Elements and key individuals accomplish their assigned mission/tasks as rehearsed with minimum delay and while maintaining fire discipline.
- .4 ____ Directs and controls fire support, as required.
- .5 ____ Accomplishes assigned mission.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: None.

KEY INDICATORS: None.

TASK: 9B.7.13 CONSOLIDATE THE OBJECTIVE

CONDITION(S): The MSPF has assaulted and cleared the objective.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Consolidate strike element to the marshaling area within the objective.
- .2 ____ Maintain positive control over all unknowns.
- .3 ____ Conducts emergency medical triage, as required.
- .4 ____ Maintains security on previously cleared areas.
- .5 ____ Accounts for all personnel.
- .6 ____ Provides required report to higher headquarters.
- .7 ____ Prepares unknowns for movement.
- .8 ____ Provides litter teams and escorts, as required.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: None.

KEY INDICATORS: None.

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TASK: 9B.7.14 CONDUCT SITE TURNOVER

CONDITION(S): The MSPF has secured the site and other friendly forces (e.g., host nation, American embassy, etc.) are on scene.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Establish communications link with friendly forces.
- .2 ____ Conduct physical link up between the MSPF and the friendly forces.
- .3 ____ Assist friendly forces in establishing local security.
- .4 ____ Conduct an explosive ordnance disposal (EOD) sweep of the objective.
- .5 ____ Conduct a counterintelligence sweep of the objective
- .6 ____ Turnover hostages to friendly forces.
- .7 ____ Turnover unknown personnel to friendly forces.
- .8 ____ Turnover terrorists to friendly forces.
- .9 ____ Transfer command and control of objective from MSPF to friendly forces.
- .10 ____ Prepare to conduct withdrawal of MSPF from objective.
- .11 ____ Conduct withdrawal.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: None.

KEY INDICATORS: None.

TASK: 9B.7.15 CONDUCT WITHDRAWAL OF MSPF

CONDITION(S): MSPF has conducted an JHR and has withdrawn to an extract point.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Withdraws from the objective in an orderly and tactically sound manner, according to rehearsed plan, and with minimal confusion.
- .2 ____ Withdraws along predesignated routes in the specified sequence.
- .3 ____ Utilizes covering element, if pursued by enemy forces, to cover the withdrawal and to conduct delaying actions.
- .4 ____ Reports and handles friendly casualties per the plan.
- .5 ____ Changes extract point as necessary.
- .6 ____ Plans routes to extract point which facilitate movement, ease of identification, protection to personnel withdrawing and offers good positions for covering elements.
- .7 ____ Utilizes positive means to identify location of extract zone.
- .8 ____ Knows alternate means as well as alternate times of extract.
- .9 ____ Conducts withdrawal and re-embarkation concurrently.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: None.

KEY INDICATORS: None.

TASK: 9B.7.16 CONDUCT RE-EMBARKATION OF MSPF

CONDITION(S): MSPF has conducted an IHR.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Confirms accountability for all personnel and equipment, and stages helo/boat teams.
- .2 ____ Utilizes planned supporting fires to hold enemy at bay.
- .3 ____ Executes ITG procedures.
- .4 ____ Loads expeditiously with minimum confusion.
- .5 ____ Carries out procedures for re-embarkation upon arrival at the transporting vessel.
- .6 ____ Reconfirms accountability and reports to higher headquarters once aboard.
- .7 ____ Attempts to pickup individuals left behind are per the alternate pick-up points and times designated in the order.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: None.

KEY INDICATORS: None.

TASK: 9B.7.17 DEBRIEF IHR OPERATION

CONDITION(S): MSPF has re-embarked aboard ATF vessels.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ MSPF commander assembles personnel for debriefing.
- .2 ____ An intelligence officer or members of the planning staff interrogate and debrief the MSPF immediately upon re-embarkation.
- .3 ____ Following debrief, members of the MSPF are briefed as to what information may be released about the overall operation.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: None.

KEY INDICATORS: None.

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9B.8 DIRECT ACTION OPERATIONS

TASK 9B.8.1 CONDUCT DIRECT ACTION RAID PLANNING

CONDITION(S): The MEU is deployed and has received a warning order assigning the MEU a mission to conduct a direct action raid to destroy a point target. The raid will be conducted at night. Urgency of the situation constrains planning time.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Acknowledge receipt of the warning order to higher headquarters.
- .2 ____ Reviews the general/special situation.
- .3 ____ Reviews existing contingency plans and gathers available intelligence/combat information.
- .4 ____ Issues a warning order to subordinate units expected to be involved in the raid with an info copy to higher headquarters.
- .5 ____ Reviews essential elements of friendly information and the vulnerability assessment conducted during contingency planning and initiates immediate measures to reduce OPSEC indicators.
- .6 ____ Reviews the forecasted weather.
- .7 ____ Reviews the mission order to determine assumptions.
- .8 ____ Reviews the mission order to determine specified tasks.
- .9 ____ Analyze the mission order to develop implied tasks.
- .10 ____ Establishes coordination with ATF and requests liaison be established with any outside agencies (national and theater) required.
- .11 ____ Assigns a liaison officer to co-locate with Raid Force Commander if required.
- .12 ____ Issues commander's guidance.
- .13 ____ Develops courses of action and estimates of supportability.
- .14 ____ Considers embarkation plan and cross-decking requirements in the development of the plan.
- .15 ____ Uses standardized procedures contained in SOP's to develop the plan.
- .16 ____ Plans dedication of adequate assets to get to and from the target area and considers backup requirements.
- .17 ____ Establishes criteria for go/no go situations including threat matrix and weather.
- .18 ____ Produces a detailed plan of attack. (See TASK: 9B.8.3 DEVELOP CONCEPT OF OPERATIONS.)
- .19 ____ Considers the conduct of advance force operations.
- .20 ____ Develops a medical evacuation plan for each phase of the raid.
- .21 ____ Develops an emergency evacuation plan.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: Estimates of supportability can be either verbal or written.

KEY INDICATORS: WARNING ORDER

Warning order should, at a minimum contain the following information; mission, time schedule to include rehearsals and inspections, mission time, time and place for order briefing, uniform and equipment, and any special instructions known.

TASK: 9B.8.2 CONDUCT RECONNAISSANCE AND SURVEILLANCE PLANNING IN
SUPPORT OF A DIRECT ACTION MISSION

CONDITION(S): The Reconnaissance and Surveillance Element of the MEU receives a warning order to conduct an R & S mission in support of a direct action raid to destroy a point target. Available planning time is constrained.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Acknowledges receipt of the warning order and initiates detailed planning.
- .2 ____ Alerts R&S element personnel.
- .3 ____ Conducts an analysis of the MEU's mission in respect to METT-T,S,L and available information.
- .4 ____ Assists in developing intelligence/information requirements on the vulnerability of enemy forces to reconnaissance and surveillance and the capability of the enemy forces to conduct counter-reconnaissance/surveillance against friendly forces in coordination with the S-2.
- .5 ____ Receives commander's initial planning guidance.
- .6 ____ Examines the MEU's proposed courses of action.
- .7 ____ Prepares an estimate of supportability.
- .8 ____ Makes recommendations on tactical employment of the R&S element.
- .9 ____ Develops R&S support pPlan based upon the commander's guidance and approved courses of action.
- .10 ____ Plans for the integration of SIGINT, ground EW, and COMSEC monitoring and analysis during all phases of R&S operations
- .11 ____ Determines the requirement to employ the radio reconnaissance team.
- .12 ____ Determines the requirement to employ the HUMINT exploitation team.
- .13 ____ Prepares the Reconnaissance and integration Appendix to the Intelligence Annex to the Operations Annex in coordination with the S-2, S-3, and S-6 for inclusion in the MEU's operations order.
- .14 ____ Coordinates with CATF CEO/cryptologic elements for communication, SI communications, SIGINT/EW support.
- .15 ____ Coordinates with CATF cryptoLogic eLements and the S-2 to request theater and/or national SIGINT/EW and HUMINT support, as required.
- .16 ____ Coordinates the incorporation of the MEU commander's EEI's and OIR's, and SIGINT support requirements into the CATF's collection plan.
- .17 ____ Coordinates with CATF elements to ensure LF information objectives are supported during the operation.
- .18 ____ Conducts an R&S conformation brief for the IHR.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: None.

KEY INDICATORS: None.

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TASK: 9B.8.3 CONDUCT COUNTERINTELLIGENCE PLANNING IN SUPPORT OF A
DIRECT ACTION MISSION

CONDITION(S): The MEU is in receipt of a warning order to conduct a direct action raid to destroy a point target. Available planning time is constrained.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Analyzes the mission to develop specific counterintelligence tasks.
- .2 ____ Directs the effort to obtain information on the enemy's intelligence, sabotage, terrorism, and subversion capabilities.
- .3 ____ Provides for the production and dissemination of intelligence on the enemy's intelligence, sabotage, terrorism, and subversion capabilities, including clandestine and covert capabilities.
- .4 ____ Explores CI Database for information related to Personalities, Organizations, and Installations (PO&I) for CI Target Reduction Plan.
- .5 ____ Plans, recommends, and monitors counterintelligence measures throughout the entire command.
- .6 ____ Reviews EEIF and the vulnerability assessment developed during contingency planning, and initiates immediate measures to reduce OPSEC indicators.
- .7 ____ Reviews existing contingency plans, SOP's, and lessons learned.
- .8 ____ Prepares a counterintelligence estimate.
- .9 ____ Prepares a counterintelligence measures worksheet.
- .10 ____ Prepares a counterintelligence reduction plan.
- .11 ____ Forwards counterintelligence planning input to higher headquarters via the Joint Operational Planning System (JOPS) format for inclusion into operation plans.
- .12 ____ Establishes coordination with the ATF and requests liaison be established with any outside agencies (i.e., State Department, CTJTF, Fleet Intel Center, etc.) required.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: None.

KEY INDICATORS: None.

TASK: 9B.8.4 TASK ORGANIZE THE DIRECT ACTION RAID FORCE

CONDITION(S): The MEU is in receipt of a warning order to conduct a direct action raid to destroy a point target. Elements of the MSPF will make up the raid force. Available planning time is constrained.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Considers special skills and equipment of all units available to the ATF and, time permitting, theater assets.
- .2 ____ Reflects notional organization developed during contingency planning to effect overall control, planning, and execution.
- .3 ____ Tailors force size according to mission, threat, skill level, and available intelligence.
- .4 ____ Develops task organization along functional lines; i.e., command and control element, reconnaissance/security element, assault element, covering force and, if planned, a reserve.
- .5 ____ Staffs a command and control element with sufficient personnel and equipment to control the operation.

- .6 ____ If required, employs a recon/security element to observe/secure and/or provide ITG support of the landing beach or LZ, and provide security observation posts during execution of the raid and for the withdrawal.
- .7 ____ Organizes an assault element responsible for executing the attack of the target.
- .8 ____ If required, emplaces a covering force to occupy critical terrain to cover the withdrawal.
- .9 ____ Plans a reserve force to be either landed, or retained afloat should assistance be required.
- .10 ____ Considers LAAD short range air defense requirements.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: None.

KEY INDICATORS: None.

TASK: 9B.8.5 PREPARE FOR THE DIRECT ACTION RAID

CONDITION(S): MEU has task organized a raid force and developed a plan to conduct a direct action raid to destroy a point target. The operations order has been issued by the raid force commander.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Conducts detailed brief on plan to all key individuals to include ships navigator, pilots, small boat navigators, coxswains, and combat cargo officer(s).
- .2 ____ Utilizes a terrain model, sketch, or other training aids when briefing plan.
- .3 ____ Ensures all personnel understand the plan, and are cognizant of their duties and responsibilities.
- .4 ____ Allows opportunity for questions and comments.
- .5 ____ Isolates individuals selected for the raid force until completion of the mission.
- .6 ____ Issues weapons and equipment, and conducts maintenance checks, LTI's, and pre-operational checks on required special equipment.
- .7 ____ Commences unit and individual training drills.
- .8 ____ Ensures navigation plan is safe by checking with the ships navigator for track approval/modification.
- .9 ____ Schedules an overall rehearsal during night time conditions if time permits.
- .10 ____ Rehearses debarkation drills.
- .11 ____ Rehearses movement from ship-to-shore.
- .12 ____ Rehearses movement from the beach/LZ to the target area.
- .13 ____ Rehearses movement, actions at the target area, and withdrawal.
- .14 ____ Sets BZO on all weapons and calibrates those with night vision sights mounted.
- .15 ____ Ensures all personnel have received training on special equipment, weapons, or ordnance issued.
- .16 ____ Briefs all personnel on rules of engagement, and escape and evasion plans.
- .17 ____ Conducts final brief for key leaders to include a ZIPPO Brief with pilots.

- .18 ____ Conducts final inspection for all personnel and equipment to ensure prescribed items are available, serviceable and carried correctly, and all personnel understand all required aspects of the mission.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: None.

KEY INDICATORS:

UNIT TRAINING

Integrated training with specialists, naval units, and supporting forces commences as early as possible.

INDIVIDUAL TRAINING

May include: Direct action COB training; helicopter operations; first aid; hand-to-hand combat; land navigation; escape and evasion; and survival training.

TASK: 9B.8.6 CONDUCT COUNTERINTELLIGENCE OPERATIONS IN SUPPORT OF A DIRECT ACTION MISSION

CONDITION(S): The MEU is deployed and has received a warning order to plan and conduct a direct action raid to destroy a point target. The raid will be conducted at night. Urgency of the situation constrains planning time.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Provides OPSEC guidance.
- .2 ____ Provides Challenge and Passwords.
- .3 ____ Conducts Liaison with U.S. Embassy for Third Party escape and evasion, as required.
- .4 ____ Conducts human intelligence (HUMINT) operations to satisfy Priority Intelligence requirements (PIRs).
- .5 ____ Establishes liaison with other counterintelligence agencies to ensure control of civilians in the embarkation area.
- .6 ____ Provides assistance in the maintenance of communications security within units of the Landing force.
- .7 ____ Screen and interrogate those civilians and enemy prisoners of war who are known to be, or suspected to be: of possible counterintelligence interest.
- .8 ____ Establishes civilian control measures.
- .9 ____ Exploits: neutralizes or destroys counterintelligence targets.
- .10 ____ Enforces camouflage and blackout regulations.
- .11 ____ Conducts security checks of all areas vacated by friendly troops to determine if any compromising material has been inadvertently left behind.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: NONE

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KEY INDICATORS: None.

TASK: 9B.8.7 CONDUCT DEBARKATION OF DIRECT ACTION RAID FORCE

CONDITION(S): Raid force debarks from ship by helicopter means during periods of limited visibility.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Chooses type(s) of transportation which satisfies lift requirements, rapid buildup, and offers the least probability of detection.
- .2 ____ Ensures all troops are qualified for type of insertion means chosen.
- .3 ____ Conditions troops to night vision below deck.
- .4 ____ Mans debarkation stations according to SOP.
- .5 ____ Conducts final inspection of equipment and troops at debarkations stations under blackout conditions.
- .6 ____ Crosses Line of departure (LOD) on schedule.
- .7 ____ Uses landing site(s) that support scheme of maneuver and allows for quick orientation.
- .8 ____ Uses initial ITG procedures effectively.
- .9 ____ Uses supporting fires in the event the raid force is compromised.
- .10 ____ Demonstrates communications discipline and flexibility.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: None.

KEY INDICATORS:

LANDING SITES

Landing Zones. The choice of an inland LZ is usually based on a compromise between ease of landing and security. Available LZ's should be sufficiently large to accommodate major elements of the raid group at a single touchdown. They should be relatively close to the target, offer several good routes to and from the target, and facilitate the organization of perimeter defense by reconnaissance/security elements of the raiding force.

TASK: 9B.8.8 CONDUCT APPROACH TO RAID OBJECTIVE

CONDITION(S): Raid force has been landed to conduct a point destruction raid on hostile forces.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Moves, once oriented, to complete assigned mission.
- .2 ____ Uses NAVAIDS or Landmarks to protect against disorientation and keep track of position, while piloting, especially at night.
- .3 ____ If required, employs covering element to neutralize and contain enemy opposition.
- .4 ____ Assault element does not wait or delay for security element

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- .5 ____ Avoids indigenous personnel unless specifically required by the assigned mission.
- .6 ____ Moves to the objective area utilizing periods of reduced visibility and speed.
- .7 ____ Considers terrain and weather to allocate sufficient movement time to objective.
- .8 ____ Possesses the capability of coordinating fire support plan in the event contingencies arise.
- .9 ____ Possesses appropriate antiair warfare assets.
- .10 ____ Adheres to communications discipline.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: None.

KEY INDICATORS: None.

TASK: 9B.8.9 CONDUCT ASSAULT OF THE RAID OBJECTIVE

CONDITION(S): Raid force has been landed and given the mission to destroy a point target.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Attacks the objective in a sudden, violent coordinated action using maximum fire power available.
- .2 ____ Security element seals off the raid objective prior to the assault.
- .3 ____ Elements and key individuals accomplish their assigned mission/tasks as rehearsed with minimum delay and while maintaining fire discipline.
- .4 ____ Calls for planned fires to seal off the objective area: if required.
- .5 ____ Accomplishes assigned mission.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: The above requirements do not apply if stealth is used to set demolitions to destroy a point target.

KEY INDICATORS: None.

TASK: 9B.8.10 CONDUCT WITHDRAWAL OF RAIDING FORCE

CONDITION(S): Raid force has conducted a direct action point destruction raid and has withdrawn to a beach or LZ.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Withdraws from the objective in an orderly and tactically sound manner: according to rehearsed plan, and with minimal confusion.
- .2 ____ Withdraws along predesignated routes in the specified sequence.
- .3 ____ Uses a series of no fire lines proceeding back from target area to the beach or LZ.
- .4 ____ Utilizes covering element: if pursued by enemy forces, to cover the withdrawal and to conduct delaying actions.
- .5 ____ Reports and handles friendly casualties and POW's per the plan.

- .6 ____ Changes in the withdrawal point are not made unless absolutely necessary.
- .7 ____ Plans routes to withdrawal point which facilitate movement, ease of identification, protection to personnel withdrawing, and offers good positions for covering elements.
- .8 ____ Utilizes positive means to identify location of withdrawal beach/zone.
- .9 ____ Knows alternate means as well as alternate times of withdrawal.
- .10 ____ Conducts withdrawal and re-embarkation concurrently.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: None.

KEY INDICATORS: None.

TASK: 9B.8.11 CONDUCT RE-EMBARKATION OF RAIDING FORCE

CONDITION(S): Raid force has conducted either a point destruction raid.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Confirms accountability for all personnel and equipment, and stages helicopter teams.
- .2 ____ Utilizes planned supporting fires to hold enemy at bay.
- .3 ____ Executes ITG procedures.
- .4 ____ Loads expeditiously with minimum confusion.
- .5 ____ Carries out procedures for re-embarkation upon arrival at the transporting vessel.
- .6 ____ Reconfirms accountability and reports to higher headquarters once aboard.
- .7 ____ Attempts to pickup individuals left behind are per the alternate pick-up points and times designated in the order.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: None.

KEY INDICATORS: All personnel accounted for.

TASK: 9B.8.12 DEBRIEF RAID OPERATION

CONDITION(S): Raid force has re-embarked aboard ATF vessels.

STANDARDS: EVAL: Y; N; NE

- .1 ____ Raid force commander assembles personnel for debriefing.
- .2 ____ An intelligence officer or members of the planning staff interrogate and debrief the raid force immediately upon re-embarkation.
- .3 ____ Following debrief, members of the raid force are briefed as to what information may be released about the overall operation.

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EVALUATOR INSTRUCTIONS: None.

KEY INDICATORS: None.

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